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Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M. with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of allegiance.

## *Remote Participation.*

Notice had been received from House Counsel that, under the provisions of House Rule 49, Representative Ferrante of Gloucester had been approved to participate remotely for today's formal sitting.

Remote participation.

## *Communications.*

### Communications

From the Department of Public Health (see Section 11 of Chapter 111K of the General Laws) submitting a report entitled: The Catastrophic Illness in Children Relief Fund Annual Report Fiscal Year 2023;

Children,—  
catastrophic  
illness.

From the Department of Public Health (see Section 11 of Chapter 111K of the General Laws) submitting a report entitled: The Catastrophic Illness in Children Relief Fund Annual Report Fiscal Year 2022;

Id.

From the Office of Community Corrections of the Trial Court (see Section 5 of Chapter 211F of the General Laws, and by item 0339-1003 of Section 2 of Chapter 140 of the Acts of 2024) submitting its annual report for fiscal year 2025 of the Massachusetts Probation Service Office of Community Corrections, including a statistical report on the utilization of community corrections centers;

Community  
corrections  
centers.

From the Executive Office for Housing and Livable Communities (see item 7004-9316 of Section 2 of Chapter 140 of the Acts of 2024) submitting its Residential Assistance for Families in Transition (RAFT) second quarterly report for fiscal year, 2024; and

Families in  
transition,—  
residential  
assistance.

From MassHealth (see item 4000-0950 of Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting a report on the implementation of the Children's Behavioral Health Initiative;

Children's  
Behavioral Health  
Initiative.

Severally were placed on file.

## *Orders of the Day.*

Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair,—

The House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2026 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions, and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund, and serial bond

General  
Appropriation  
Bill.

requirements, and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 4000), was considered, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

After debate on the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Representatives Lombardo of Billerica, Pease of Westfield and Boldyga of Southwick then moved to amend it by adding the following section:

“SECTION 84. (a) Section 2 of Chapter 64H of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking ‘6.25 per cent’ and replacing it with ‘5 per cent’.

(b) SECTION 2. Section 2 of Chapter 64I of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking ‘6.25 per cent’ and replacing it with ‘5 per cent’.”.

After debate the amendment was rejected.

Representatives Lombardo of Billerica and Boldyga of Southwick then moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

“SECTION 84. (a) Section 4 of said chapter 62 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out subsection (b) and inserting in place thereof the following subsection:-

(b) Part B taxable income shall be taxed at the rate of 4.5 percent.

(b) Subsection (a) of this act shall be effective beginning July 1, 2025.”.

After debate the amendment was rejected.

Representatives Lombardo of Billerica, Pease of Westfield and Boldyga of Southwick then moved to amend the bill by adding the following two sections:

“SECTION 84. Section 4(d) of chapter 62 of the General Laws, as appearing in section 28 of chapter 50 of the acts of 2023, is hereby amended by striking out the third and fourth sentences and inserting in place thereof the following:

For purposes of determining the applicability of the additional 4 per cent tax under this subsection, a married couple may elect to file jointly or separately on their Massachusetts return, regardless of their federal filing status. The \$1,000,000 threshold shall apply to each individual filing a separate return.

SECTION 85. Sections 84 shall take effect for taxable years beginning on January 1, 2025.”.

After debate the amendment was rejected.

The same members then moved to amend the bill by adding the following two sections:

“SECTION 84. Section 1 of chapter 62 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by section 100 of chapter 140 of the acts of 2024, is hereby further amended by adding the following paragraph:-

(s) ‘Overtime wage’, wages paid to an hourly employee for working in excess of 40 hours per week; provided, that wages earned by salaried employees shall not constitute overtime wage.

SECTION 85. Paragraph (b) of part B of section 3 of said chapter 62, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following subparagraph:-

(6) An amount equal to the overtime wages earned by the taxpayer within the taxable year.”.

Pending the question on adoption of the amendment, Mr. Lombardo of Billerica asked for a count of the House to ascertain if a quorum was in attendance. A count showed 85 members were in attendance.

After debate the amendment was rejected.

Representatives Lombardo of Billerica and Boldyga of Southwick then moved to amend the bill by adding the following two sections:

Quorum.

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“SECTION 84. Section 1 of chapter 62 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by section 100 of chapter 140 of the acts of 2024, is hereby further amended by adding the following paragraph:-

(s) ‘Tipped wage’, a sum of money, including any amount designated by a credit card patron, a gift or a gratuity, given as an acknowledgment of any service performed by a wait staff employee, service employee or service bartender.

SECTION 85. Paragraph (b) of part B of section 3 of said chapter 62, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following subparagraph:-

(6) An amount equal to the tipped wages earned by the taxpayer within the taxable year.”.

After remarks the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Boldyga of Southwick then moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

“SECTION 84. Notwithstanding any laws to the contrary, Chapter 62 of the General Laws, is hereby amended by striking out the section in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

Section 1. No tax shall be imposed on income earned by any resident or inhabitant of the Commonwealth on or after July 4, 2026.”.

The amendment was rejected.

The same member then moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

“SECTION 84. Notwithstanding any laws to the contrary, Section 5 of Chapter 62 of the General Laws, is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:

(C) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, no tax shall be imposed under this chapter upon any individual under the age of 21 years and over the age of 70 years.

subsection a. This amendment shall take effect on July 4, 2026.”.

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Boldyga then moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

“SECTION 84. Notwithstanding any laws to the contrary, Section 2 of Chapter 64H of the General Laws, is hereby amended by striking out ‘6.25 per cent’ and replacing it with ‘5 per cent’.

Subsection a. This amendment shall take effect on July 4, 2026.”.

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Boldyga of Southwick then moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

“SECTION 84. Notwithstanding any laws to the contrary, Section 1 of Chapter 64A of the General Laws, is hereby amended by striking out ‘shall be 24 cents per gallon’ after the words ‘Tax per gallon’ and replacing it with ‘shall be 10 cents per gallon’.

Subsection a. This amendment shall take effect on July 4, 2026.”.

The amendment was rejected.

The same member then moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

“SECTION 84. Notwithstanding any laws to the contrary, taxable income consisting of short-term capital gains, as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 62 of the General Laws, shall be taxed at the rate of 5 per cent starting on July 4, 2026.”.

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Boldyga then moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

“SECTION 84. Notwithstanding any general or special laws to the contrary, Section 2A of chapter 65C of the General Laws, is hereby amended by striking out

the section in its entirety and replacing it with the following: ‘The estates of decedents dying on or after July 4, 2026 shall not be required to pay any tax.’.’’.

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Jones of North Reading and other members of the House then moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

“SECTION 84. (a) The terms used in this section shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

‘Amnesty period’, a period of time commencing for 2 consecutive months and not earlier than the date a local legislative body establishes a municipal tax amnesty program according to this act and expiring not later than June 30, 2027, as the local legislative body might determine, during which the municipal tax amnesty program established by the local legislative body shall be in effect in that city or town.

‘Collector’, a person receiving a tax list and a warrant to collect the same.

‘Covered amount’, the aggregate of all penalties, fees, charges and accrued interest assessed by the collector or treasurer for the failure of a certain taxpayer to timely pay a subject liability; provided, however, that the covered amount shall not include the subject liability itself or any fees and charges authorized or incurred for the collection of a past due subject liability for which notice has been issued; and provided further, that nothing in this section shall authorize the waiver of penalties, fees, charges and accrued interest resulting from the violation of any law, municipal by-law or ordinance.

‘Municipal tax amnesty program’, a temporary policy by a city or town to forever waive its right to collect all or any uniform proportion of the covered amount, as determined by the local legislative body, then due from any person who, prior to the expiration of the amnesty period, voluntarily pays the collector or treasurer the full amount of the subject liability that serves as the basis for the covered amount; provided, however, that a municipal tax amnesty program shall not include a policy that enables or requires a city or town to waive its right to collect the covered amount from a person who, at the time of commencement of the amnesty period is or was the subject of a criminal investigation or prosecution for failure to pay the city or town any subject liability or covered amount.

‘Subject liability’, the principal amount of a particular tax or excise liability payable by a taxpayer under chapter 59, 60, 60A or 60B of the General Laws, as determined by the local legislative body.

‘Treasurer’, as described in chapter 41 of the General Laws.

(b) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the local legislative body in any city or town may vote to establish a municipal tax amnesty program according to the provisions of this section and shall, at the same time as such vote, determine the amnesty period. Tax amnesty periods shall not extend beyond June 30, 2027. The commissioner of revenue may issue such guidelines as he deems appropriate to carry out this section.”.

After debate on the question on adoption of the amendment, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of the same member; and on the roll call 25 members voted in the affirmative and 132 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 30 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore the amendment was rejected.

On the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston; and on the roll call 154 members voted in the affirmative and 3 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 31 in Supplement.](#)]

The bill (House, No. 4000) was ordered to a third reading.

Amendment  
rejected,—  
yea and nay  
No. 30.

Bill ordered  
to a third  
reading,—  
yea and nay  
No. 31.

At twenty-nine minutes past twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at twenty-three minutes past four o'clock P.M. the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan in the Chair.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time, its title having been changed by said committee to read: "An Act making appropriations for the fiscal year 2026 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements, and for certain permanent improvements."

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Gaskey of Carver then moved to amend it by adding the following section:

"SECTION 84. Chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, by inserting the following section:

Section 1E.No public school shall allow a male student athlete to participate on a girls' sports team unless, based on a preponderance of the evidence, it can show that:

- 1) there is no equivalent boys' team for that sport;
- 2) allowing the male athlete to participate on the team would not displace any girl from the team's roster;
- 3) the male athlete would not pose an increased risk of harm to opponents beyond that which would be posed by an average female athlete in that sport; and
- 4) the male athlete would not provide the team with a significant competitive advantage.

A civil action may be brought in the Superior Court under this section to determine whether a school has properly granted or denied approval to a male student athlete to participate on a girls' team. The Superior Court shall have available all remedies at law or in equity. A party who brings an action to enforce this section and prevails shall be entitled to his or her costs and attorney's fees."

Pending the question on adoption of the amendment, Mr. Lewis of Framingham moved to amend it by striking out the amendment in its entirety and inserting in place thereof the following:

By inserting after section 67 the following section:

"SECTION 67A. (a) Not later than January 1, 2026, each school district shall provide to the department of elementary and secondary education data for school year 2024 to 2025 and the first half of school year 2025 to 2026 for: (i) the number of single teams at a school in a particular sport established consistent with rule 43.2 of the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association 'Rules and Regulations Governing Athletics A Handbook for Principals and Athletic Directors' in effect for July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2025, inclusive; (ii) any single team at a school in a particular sport pursuant to clause (i), the number of individuals participating that are not restricted based on eligibility and authorized to play on said team pursuant to said rule 43.2; (iii) the number of games played by the teams pursuant to clause (i); (iv) the records of the teams pursuant to clause (i), including wins and losses; (v) the numbers of games that were played by the teams pursuant to clause (i) against any other single teams at another school in a particular sport pursuant to clause (i); (vi) the number of injuries sustained as a result of participation under said single teams in a particular sport, if any; (vii) if applicable, whether there is a restriction that is necessary to ensure that the school's gendered designation of athletic opportunities complies with Title IX, either by demonstrating proportionality or the absence of unmet interest

among members of the underrepresented sex; and (viii) any other information the department deems necessary. These data from each school district shall be delineated by school.

(b) Not later than March 7, 2026, the department of elementary and secondary education shall report on data collected from each school district pursuant to subsection (a) to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on education. The report shall aggregate data and identify trends related to any data collection pursuant to subsection (a).”.

Pending the question on adoption of the further amendment, Mr. Gaskey of Carver asked for a count of the House to ascertain if a quorum was in attendance. A count showed 101 members were in attendance.

Quorum.

After debate the further amendment was adopted, thus precluding a vote on the pending amendment.

Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair,—

Mr. Michlewitz and other members of the House then moved, under the provisions of the last sentence of the penultimate paragraph of Rule 20A, to amend the bill in section 2, in item 1410-0010, in line 6, by inserting after the figures: “4190-0100” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$85,000 shall be expended for the NEADS Service Dogs for Veterans program to train service dogs for veterans; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Community Servings to develop and implement a statewide pilot program to provide medically-tailored meals to veterans in the commonwealth”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “12,435,035” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “12,620,035”;

Consolidated amendments (education and local aid, and social services and veterans).

In item 1410-0012, in line 15, by inserting after the year: “2025” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended to the Veterans Oral History Project in Natick; provided further that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the Bilingual Veteran’s Outreach Center in Springfield for a Pittsfield caseworker; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended to Dudley-Gendron - Post 414 American Legion Hall in Sutton; provided further, not less than \$5,000 shall be expended to Attleboro’s Global War on Terrorism Monument Committee to assist with the creation of a historical tribute of remembrance, respect and gratitude for all those who have served in the Global War on Terrorism; provided further, not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to Springfield Veterans First (NABVET) Outreach Center; provided further that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to Veterans Inc. to expand its behavioral health programming and create low-barrier access to treatment for persons at the Worcester housing programs; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for the collaboration between NEBSI and JLC services to establish a network for the eTMS program to treat veterans and first responders who suffer from any post-traumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injuries, substance use disorders, depression, anxiety and sleep disorders; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to Cape and Island Veterans Outreach Center Hyannis for service-enriched housing and all-inclusive supportive programs for United States military veterans; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended to the Granby Legion Post 266 to support the renovation of its community kitchen; provided further, that not less than \$125,000 shall be expended to the Montachusett Veterans Outreach Center, Inc. for supportive housing programs and operational functions”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “9,528,474” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “10,208,474”;

In item 1410-0250 by adding the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended to the Disabled American Veterans Department of Massachusetts Service Fund Inc. to combat veterans homelessness by maintaining

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and operating veterans homes and to provide benefits counseling, and wrap around assistance to veterans and their families”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “3,952,392” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “4,452,392”;

In item 1410-0400, in line 48, by inserting after the word “support” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for assistance to VFW Post 8892 in the town of Stoughton; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for improvements to Amvets Post 1977 in the town of Stoughton”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “81,806,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “81,826,000”;

In item 1410-1616 by adding the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$40,000 shall be expended to the city of Lynn for the construction and repair of war memorials; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the city of Worcester for maintenance and care of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in the city of Worcester”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “100,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “140,000”;

In item 3000-1000, in line 37, by inserting after the word “requirements” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to The Elizabeth Peabody House in the city of Somerville; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the young parents program at More Than Words, Inc.; provided further, that \$25,000 shall be expended to the Cape Cod Children’s Place for early education and care support services”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “13,551,428” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “13,776,428”;

In item 3000-1020, in line 26, by inserting after the word “appropriation” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to purchase equipment for the early education programs at Harmony Grove and Miriam F McCarthy Elementary Schools in the city of Framingham to align with the standards set forth by the Department of Early Education and Care”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “46,903,765” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “46,953,765”;

In item 4003-0122, in line 13, by inserting after the word “services” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to Casa Dominicana to assist in ESL classes and computer training for low-income adults; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended to the Center for New Americans to support the coordination of volunteers and delivery of services in the city known as the town of Amherst”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “1,305,255” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,385,255”;

In item 4003-0124, in line 3, by inserting after the word “program” the following: “; provided further, not less than \$75,000 shall be expended to the Brazilian American center in the city of Framingham to administer and facilitate immigrant legal services, advocacy, and related assistance”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “5,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “5,075,000”;

In item 4400-1000, in line 35, by inserting after the word “transfer” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the Fresh Start Furniture Bank of Hudson; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended to Cradles to Crayons, Inc. for its clothing insecurity relief and essentials distribution service; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for supporting transition-aged youth through the Friends of Children, Inc. FOCUS Program”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “107,462,031” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “107,912,031”;

In item 4400-1001, in line 4, by inserting after the words “Hunger, Inc.” the following: “; provided further, that funds may be expended to establish a pilot

program to supplement the supply of food available to recipients of benefits provided under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program using mechanisms designed to identify surplus food and distribute such surplus food to the recipients at a discount; provided further, said program shall: (a) employ technology to redirect surplus food to areas in which recipients are experiencing a higher need for more affordable and healthier food; (b) ensure that surplus food distributed pursuant to this program complies with nutritional standards and guidelines set by the department; and (c) prioritize reducing food insecurity for recipients”;

In item 4400-1004, in line 8, by inserting after the word “program” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to Growing Places in the city of Leominster for the purpose of the development of the regional food center in north central Massachusetts; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the Allston-Brighton Food Pantry and community refrigerator support program; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the Dracut Food Pantry”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “20,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “20,100,000”;

In item 4400-1020, in line 19, by inserting after the word “partnerships” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the main south community development corporation to promote the safety and security of the university park and beacon brightly neighborhoods”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “5,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “5,050,000”;

In item 4800-0015, in line 47, by inserting after the word “available” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$125,000 shall be expended to Rick’s Place of Wilbraham to provide grief support to youth and their families in the pioneer valley; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the Empower Mentor Program to provide mentorship, community events, and year-round programming for young women and men in Massachusetts who have experienced the loss of a parent; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for Scituate Community Christmas to provide emergency support for families and individuals during times of financial hardship”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “157,866,916” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “158,026,916”;

In item 4800-0030 by adding the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended to the Weymouth Teen Center for job skills training, technology support, remedial education services, and to promote a social service program for growth and social welfare”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “11,089,960” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “11,239,960”;

In item 4800-0038, in line 16, by inserting after the year: “2023” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the Jewish Family and Children’s Service, Inc.’s Center for Early Relationship Support including for the Fragile Beginnings program, Project Newborns exposed to substances: support and therapy and related clinical and community services for vulnerable families with children from birth to age 5; provided further, that not less than \$350,000 shall be expended to Italian Home for Children, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Julie’s Family Learning Program, Inc. for programming and services to help women break the cycle of poverty”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “347,457,804” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “347,932,804”;

In item 7009-6600, in line 7, by inserting after the words “college” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$175,000 shall be expended to Westfield state university for early college programming for nursing and health science pathways to

support labor force development with western Massachusetts hospitals and health care providers”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “14,205,894” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “14,380,894”;

In item 7010-0033, in line 6, by inserting after the words “department” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for The Literacy Lab for the purposes of placing recent high school graduates in classrooms or community-based early childhood centers to provide evidence-based literacy intervention services to at-risk Pre-K students, and to provide participants with training, coaching and professional development, with the goal of diversifying the educator pipeline and educating participants on the teacher education and licensure process in Massachusetts; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the Haverhill public library for the Haverhill Promise initiative to expand early literacy”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “5,716,683” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “5,966,683”;

In item 7010-1192, in line 4, by inserting after the word “appropriation” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the nonprofit Springfield Together Inc., for the creation of the Springfield brought together camp; provided further, that not less than \$5,000 shall be expended to south shore regional vocational technical high school for equipment upgrades to the graphic design visual communication and allied health programs; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended to the town of Millis for Spanish language curriculum materials and professional development; provided further, that not less than \$40,000 shall be expended to the town of Lunenburg for security system upgrades in the Lunenburg public schools; provided further, that not less than \$49,000 shall be expended for chromebooks for third-grade students in the Amesbury public schools; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for youth programs at Dennison memorial community center in New Bedford; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for a reserve to assist the town of Bedford for the education of children in families employed by the federal government on military reservations who attend Shawsheen valley technical high school; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to Ateneo Dominicano Del Merrimack Valley to maintain and promote Dominican culture throughout the Merrimack valley through history, literature, arts, customs and family values; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to Asociación Carnavalesca de Massachusetts, Inc. in the city of Lawrence, to highlight the colorful tradition of Dominican carnival in the Merrimack valley and to provide at-risk youth with assistance programming and after school activities; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to Instituto Cultural de Puerto Rico, Inc. in the city of Lawrence, to highlight the colorful tradition of Puerto Rican culture in the Merrimack Valley; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended to the town of Bellingham for improvements to communication and audio systems throughout the Bellingham high school campus; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the Boston Green Academy for the continuation of the environmental science & technology career pathway program; provided further, not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the city of Chelsea to fund building renovations within the Chelsea public school district; provided further, not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the city of Chelsea for library renovations at the Mary C. Burke elementary school complex; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to Salem public schools for the purpose of upgrading the Salem high school fieldhouse gym floor and other play surfaces; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended to fund architectural plans to renovate and expand the New

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Art Center in Newtonville for a space to serve as a multi-disciplinary visual arts center and enable the facility to become fully ADA compliant; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to Beyond Soccer, Inc. for innovative health, athletic and leadership programming for low-income youth in the city of Lawrence; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended to Prophecy Wrestling Club for equipment costs to expand the program's reach; provided further, that not less than \$40,000 shall be expended to Palante to support building energy sufficiency; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended to the town of Swampscott for repairs to the Jackson park track and field at Swampscott high school; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to St. Stephen's youth program for the parent mentor program providing educational support to students and nurturing a school environment where engaged adults foster success; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the Cambodian Mutual Assistance Association of Greater Lowell, Inc. in the city of Lowell for transitional services for refugees; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the town of Plympton for the replacement of a rooftop HVAC system at Dennett elementary school; provided further that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for The United States of Readers program, administered by Scholastic Book Clubs, to bridge the literacy gap through increased book access in Title I elementary schools; provided further, that not less than \$875,000 shall be expended to the Simon Wiesenthal Center's Mobile Museum of Tolerance Bus to serve middle and high school students, teachers, law enforcement agencies, faith leaders, government leaders and others by bringing an inventive approach to community outreach through bringing the museum field trip directly to the communities and designed to prevent bullying, racism, antisemitism, hate and intolerance and to encourage respect for human dignity; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended to Urbanity Dance to serve an unmet demand for access to affordable and accessible dance training; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the Community Music School of Springfield, Inc. in the city of Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the city known as the town of North Attleborough for materials, including but not limited to STEM kits, and other costs associated with the North Attleborough middle school STEM project; provided further, that not less than \$40,000 shall be expended to the city known as the town of North Attleborough for the procurement of new uniforms for the North Attleborough high school band; provided that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended to the Acushnet council on aging and community center to replace their outdated HVAC system; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the Amherst regional high school Performing Arts Department to make technological repairs and infrastructure improvements; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for a project to connect organic gardening, outdoor exercise, healthy food, food preparation and elementary school-aged children in the greater Northampton area, operated by Grow Food Northampton; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for mental health services in Braintree public schools; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the All Dorchester Sports League, Inc. for educational support, nutrition and other community benefits related to the 2019 novel coronavirus pandemic; provided further, that not less than \$300,000 shall be expended for Friends of the Children – Boston, Inc. for the expansion of the professional K-12 youth mentorship program; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the city of Gardner to support the operations of a teen center; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended to the town of Oxford for classroom chromebooks, software and security

cameras in Oxford public schools; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to Música Franklin, Inc. for educational music programming; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the engineering to address a interior/exterior structural issue at Acushnet elementary school; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended to the Westfield public schools band program; provided further, that not less than \$40,000 shall be expended to meet the transportation needs of Barnstable public schools; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the BIRCH Center to continue the operations of the school-based behavioral health technical assistance center, pursuant to section 16FF of chapter 6A of the General Laws; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for Catie’s Closet, Inc. to provide students in kindergarten to grade 12, inclusive, in schools with a high percentage of low-income and homeless students with: (i) in-school access to clothing, toiletries and basic necessities; and (ii) community-based resources including, but not limited to, social services, mental health services and behavioral health services; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to Community Investors, Inc. for their PowerPlay Initiative of in the town of Wellesley in support of the expansion of an inclusive after-school and out-of-school-time recreational program at urban and suburban Massachusetts schools; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Science Club for Girls for STEM education programming”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “100,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “4,464,000”;

In item 7010-1193, in line 6, by inserting after the word “commonwealth” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the Coalition for Anti-Racism and Equity, Inc. and the Commonwealth Seminar for a joint fellowship program for high school and college students from underrepresented communities of color; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the USS Constitution Museum, Inc. for civics education programs within the Charlestown Navy shipyard park”, in line 7, by striking out the figures: “\$500,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,000,000”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “1,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,700,000”;

In item 7027-0019, in line 19, by inserting after the words “job” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$300,000 shall be expended for Triangle, Inc.’s school to career program that connects special education students with disabilities in Greater Boston to careers and their local communities; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the operation of the SMART and Eureka programs at the Framingham, Holyoke, Lowell, Lynn, Pittsfield and Worcester chapters of Girls Inc”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “6,531,266” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “7,031,266”;

In item 7027-1004, in line 17, by inserting after the word “acquisition” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the Latinx Community Center for Empowerment (LCCE), Inc. in the city of Lowell for the administration of a workforce development program including ESOL classes, resume building, interview training and job placement services; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the public school system in the town of Rockland to support the English language learners program”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “3,696,331” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “3,746,331”;

In item 7028-0031, in line 5, by inserting after the word “correction” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to Fundacion CEMDPCD to support, educate and advocate on behalf of low-income

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parents of students with learning disabilities in the city of Lawrence; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to Food for the World to support low-income families in the Merrimack Valley who are struggling with food insecurity and other basic needs”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “8,760,943” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “8,810,943”;

In item 7035-0001 by adding the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended to the town of Hopedale for the development of the center for innovation, research and creativity at Memorial elementary school”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “3,118,500” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “3,153,500”;

In item 7035-0002, in line 27, by inserting after the word “analyzed” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to Pathways Inc. in the city of Lynn for adult education”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “58,923,560” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “58,948,560”;

In item 7035-0006 by adding the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the city of Worcester to purchase and install solar powered rectangular rapid flashing beacons and complementary pedestrian crossing improvements for 5 high priority locations leading to Worcester public schools”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “57,119,862” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “57,169,862”;

In item 7061-0012, in line 2, by striking out the figures: “2,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “10,500,000”, in line 78, by inserting after the word “audit” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for school districts in which special education costs exceed 25 per cent of the total district costs and in which tuition and other circuit-breaker eligible costs for placements at an approved private school located within the district exceed both \$1,000,000 and 23.5 per cent of all tuition and other circuit-breaker eligible costs for placements at approved private schools”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “484,677,484” and inserting in place thereof the following figures: “484,877,484”;

In item 7061-0033 by adding the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended to the town of Lincoln to mitigate the costs of educating the children of retired-military families”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “1,285,500” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,450,000”;

In item 7061-9408, in line 58, by inserting after the word “months” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the recruitment and training of educators offered by Teach for America Massachusetts to expand the teacher corps to address teacher vacancies in high need public schools and to close achievement gaps”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “16,454,430” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “16,554,430”;

In item 7061-9611, in line 38, by inserting after the word “law” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended for the Worcester YWCA for youth swimming lessons as part of summer programming for children who identify as low income, as well as necessary infrastructure to comply with Christian’s Law; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to Natick public schools to support summer programming, school vacation week programming and artificial intelligence translation equipment; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to Coalition for a Better Acre, Inc. YES! year – round Out-of-School-Time program for over 100 Acre youths ages 5-14; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to Cambodian Mutual Assistance Association of Greater Lowell, Inc. for afterschool cultural program and rising stars sports and leadership summer day camp that serves over 100 students each year;

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provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Methuen Youth Innovation, Inc. to support the establishment and operations of the Methuen Youth Innovation HUB, with a focus on empowering youth in the district through comprehensive leadership development, social skills building and civic engagement; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Friends of the Hernández for fostering bilingual and bicultural leaders while providing essential enrichment, after-school programming and family engagement opportunities; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended to fund the enrichment activities at the Pioneer Valley Regional school districts afterschool programs for children ages K-6; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to Steps to Success, Inc. to provide academic and personal support for low-income students from 4th grade to college graduation; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to Boston Partners for Education to support school programing needs; provided further, that not less than \$300,000 shall be expended for the Recreation Worcester program in the city of Worcester; provided further, that not less than \$125,000 shall be expended to Piers Park Sailing Center for sailing and maritime education and operations in the East Boston section of the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the Boston Debate League Incorporated for their after-school debate league program; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Girls Design Academy in the city of New Bedford; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended to the Cape Verdean Association of Brockton for employment positions for at-risk youth within their YEP! We Can Summer Program”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “7,272,449” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “8,307,449”;

In item 7061-9612, in line 39, by inserting after the word “schools” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$125,000 shall be expended to the town of Mendon for a single point entry keycard security system for elementary and middle school buildings and for the Mendon- Upton Regional school district high school building”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “670,086” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “795,086”;

In item 7061-9815, in line 7, by inserting after the word “outreach” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended on Mosaic Interfaith Youth Action, Inc. a grant program administered through the department of elementary and secondary education in coordination with the executive office of public safety and security for the purpose of preventing hate crimes and incidents statewide”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “400,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “425,000”;

In item 7066-0000, in line 38, by inserting after the word “prevention” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for Thrive Scholars to support college to career services; provided further, not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to Fitchburg state university for an admissions position focused primarily on recruitment to the police program; provided further, that not less than \$300,000 shall be expended to Quincy college to provide student supports and services”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “4,200,965” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “4,850,965”;

In item 7066-0009 by striking out the figures: “374,740” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “433,525”;

In item 7070-0065, in line 15, by striking out the figures: “430,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “480,000”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “175,188,311” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “175,238,311”;

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In item 7077-0023 by striking out the figures: “5,500,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “6,000,000”;

In item 7100-4000, in line 9, by inserting after the word “development” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended towards a workforce development program called Skill Surge at Holyoke community college”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “11,450,395” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “11,525,395”;

In item 7116-0100 by adding the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$125,000 shall be expended for the John J. Binienda center for civic education at Worcester state university to expand service learning and volunteerism in the greater Worcester community, to support student experiential learning, to foster and develop student leadership opportunities, to support first generation and economically disadvantaged students through targeted scholarship support, for new innovations in student civic engagement and learning through building of intentional networks of students with community members and alumni and for programmatic development, updates and technologies within the center”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “39,993,390” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “40,118,390”;

In section 2E by inserting after item 1595-0115 the following item:

“1595-0116 For the Genocide Education Trust Fund, as established in section 2MMMM of chapter 29 of the General Laws, inserted by section 1 of chapter 98 of the acts of 2021; provided, that said funds shall be distributed by the commissioner of the department of elementary and secondary education for purposes related to the instruction of middle and high school students on the history of genocide, including but not limited to: (i) development of curricular materials detailing the underlying causes, international reaction, progression and aftermath of genocide; and (ii) professional development training, including, but not limited to, the provision of trainings, seminars, conferences and materials, for educators to use in the teaching of genocide.....\$500,000”;

In section 2F, in item 1596-2438, in lines 1 to 5, inclusive, by striking out the following: “For the cost of providing an additional \$104 per pupil in minimum aid funding to qualifying cities, towns, regional school districts, counties maintaining agricultural schools, independent vocational schools and independent agricultural and technical schools to be distributed under chapters 70 and 76 of the General Laws and section 3” and inserting in place thereof the following: “For additional aid to qualifying cities, towns, regional school districts, counties maintaining agricultural schools, independent vocational schools and independent agricultural and technical schools to be distributed under chapters 70 and 76 of the General Laws and section 3 and for costs associated with providing \$150 per pupil in minimum aid funding; provided, that these funds are in addition to funds provided in item 7061-0008”;

By inserting after section 64 the following section:

“SECTION 64A. Notwithstanding section 13A of chapter 15D of the General Laws, inserted by section 32 of chapter 140 of the acts of 2024, all child care financial assistance payments pursuant to said section 13A of said chapter 15D to providers through both vouchers pursuant to clause (i) of paragraph (b) of said section 13A of said chapter 15D and contracts pursuant to clause (ii) of said paragraph (b) of said section 13A of said chapter 15D, including Family Child Care Systems Administration, Priority Population Support Services Administration and base contract administration, shall include retention revenue policies and practices, including allowing providers to retain 20 per cent annual surplus revenue retention

from both the unit rate and cost reimbursement payments that were in place prior to contracts with an effective date of October 1, 2024 resulting from the request for responses by the department of early education and care dated March 20, 2024 and titled ‘Contract Provider and FCC Systems – Income Eligible’.”; and

By inserting after section 68 the following section:

“SECTION 68A. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the bureau of purchased services in the operational services division shall determine prices for programs under chapter 71B of the General Laws in fiscal year 2026 by increasing the final fiscal year 2025 price by the rate of inflation as determined by the division. The division shall adjust prices for extraordinary relief pursuant to 808 CMR 1.06(4). The division shall accept applications for program reconstruction and special circumstances in fiscal year 2026. The division shall authorize the fiscal year 2026 price for out-of-state purchasers requested by a program, not to exceed a maximum price determined by the bureau, by identifying the most recent price calculated for the program and applying the estimated rate of inflation for each year, as determined by the bureau under section 22N of chapter 7 of the General Laws, in which the rate of inflation is frozen beginning with fiscal year 2004, in a compounded manner for each fiscal year.”.

After debate on the question on adoption of the consolidated amendments (Mr. Donato of Medford having taken the Chair), the sense of the House was taken by the yeas and nays, as required under the provisions of House Rule 33F; and on the roll call 157 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 32](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the consolidated amendments (education and local aid, and social services and veterans) were adopted.

At one minute before six o’clock P.M. (Monday, April 28), on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at eight o’clock P.M., the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston and other members of the House then moved, under the provisions of the last sentence of the penultimate paragraph of Rule 20A, to amend the bill in section 2, in item 4000-0005, in line 14, by inserting after the word “programs” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the SISU Center in the city of Lawrence to provide a safe space for structured education, health and recreational programming for at-risk youth throughout the Merrimack Valley”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “12,600,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “12,650,000”;

In item 4000-0007, in lines 5 to 13, inclusive, by striking out the following: “(i) the number of youths served through this item; (ii) the types of services received by participating youths; (iii) the number of youths who transition into stabilized housing and the zip code of the stabilized housing; (iv) the number of youths who remain in stabilized housing after 90 days, when applicable; (v) other quantifiable data related to client outcomes as determined by the secretary; (vi) the number of youths turned away from the program; and (vii) the amount of funding awarded to vendors for the delivery of services and the names of each vendor” and inserting in place thereof the following: “(i) the number of youths served through this item receiving either prevention or rehousing services, both total statewide numbers and numbers by region; (ii) the types of services received by participating youths; (iii) the number of youth who transition into stabilized housing after experiencing homelessness; (iv) the number of youths who do not enter homelessness after receiving prevention support, and the number of youth who do not return to homelessness after being housed; (v)

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No. 32.

Recess.

Consolidated amendments (health and human services, and aging and independence).

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other quantifiable data related to client outcomes as determined by the secretary; and (vi) the amount of funding awarded to vendors for the delivery of services and the names of each vendor; and provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to BAY-CASH to provide direct cash assistance to unaccompanied homeless youth”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “10,545,850” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “10,645,850”;

In item 4000-0009, in line 4, by inserting after the word “office” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts Sickle Cell Association to support advocacy, family support services, awareness campaigns, and staff expansion to improve quality of life for individuals living with sickle cell disease across the Commonwealth”;

In item 4000-0300, in line 160, by striking out the figures: “300,000” and inserting in place thereof the following figures: “500,000”, in line 165, by inserting after the word “state” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended to support the critical care operations of New England Life Flight, Inc., d/b/a Boston MedFlight; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended to support remote patient monitoring through Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center to support primary care delivery; provided further, that not less than \$2,000,000 shall be expended for Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts to support continuing access to sexual and reproductive health care and community needs; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended for the operational costs of Massachusetts Oncology Patients, Survivors, and Supporters (MOPSS) to support its mission of providing services and advocacy for individuals affected by cancer across the commonwealth; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the Brookline Community Mental Health Center, Inc., to expand the healthy lives program; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended to Transhealth, Inc., for infrastructure and security improvements; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the Sturdy Memorial Hospital for the expansion of its emergency department to create new capacity for emergency behavioral health services”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “157,140,881” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “160,025,881”;

In item 4000-0601, in line 53, by inserting after the word “finance” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$2,973,456 shall be expended for the recognition of additional allowable costs to the standard base rate for nursing facilities located within 17 miles of 71 Hospital avenue in North Adams; provided further, that not less than \$3,800,000 shall be expended for the recognition of additional allowable costs to the standard base rate over the base year rate established on October 1, 2024, for a nursing facility located on Martha’s Vineyard Island and within 8 miles of a hospital that has received federal government designation as a Critical Access Hospital; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended to Harbor Health Services, Inc. for the operation of its Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) day centers in Mattapan, Brockton and any other communities for which Harbor Health Services has been contracted to help meet the Commonwealth’s PACE expansion goals”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “5,117,088,567” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “5,117,238,567”;

In item 4000-0700, in line 63, by inserting after the word “cases” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended to the Baystate Franklin Medical Center in Greenfield to support its family medicine residency program”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “4,231,525,812” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “4,231,775,812”;

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In item 9110-1604, in line 4, by inserting after the year: “2025” the following: “; and provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended to Hearth, Inc., for upgrades and other improvements, including those necessary for the operation of facilities operated by Hearth, Inc., in the city of Boston”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “11,642,961” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “11,842,961”;

In item 9110-1900 by striking out the figures: “12,657,217” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “13,407,217”;

In item 9110-9002, in line 7, by inserting after the word “elder” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for the senior medical rides program and related elderly and veteran outreach efforts operated by Deja New Leicester, Inc., the council on aging in the town of Leicester and Project New Hope, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the Fairhaven senior center for kitchen renovation and upgrades; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the town of Wayland for an emergency generator for the new Wayland council on aging community center; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for grab and go meals for the council on aging in the town of East Bridgewater; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for improvements for the council on aging in the town of Whitman; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended to the Pepperell council on aging for new kitchen equipment and security upgrades to the reception area; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for heating and cooling renovations on the top floors of the town of Wakefield’s senior center; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the Methuen senior activity center for operational costs and event programming; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the costs associated with care and services provided at the Whipple Senior Center in the city known as the town of Weymouth; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for Parkway in Motion, Inc. to provide programming for seniors in the southwest neighborhoods of the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the Brookline senior center to create an intergenerational arts program; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to Outstandinglife, Inc. for the operation of a statewide virtual senior center for LGBTQIA+ older adults; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended to the Granby senior center food pantry to support the purchase of food resources for individuals and families in the town of Granby; provided further, that not less than \$70,000 shall be expended to Island Elderly Housing, Inc., for the purpose of emergency preparedness; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the town of North Andover for programming at their senior center with a focus on aiding the most vulnerable seniors as documented in a recent needs assessment; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the Brockton council on aging for wellness nursing; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Chelmsford council on aging to meet the nutritional needs of elders; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended to the town of Freetown for their local senior programming; provided further, that not less than \$6,000 shall be expended to the East Bridgewater council on aging for a visiting dental hygienist; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for infrastructure improvements and maintenance at the Chicopee council on aging”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “29,522,592” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “30,533,592”;

By inserting after section 60 the following section:

“SECTION 60A. Sections 131 and 226 of chapter 139 of the acts of 2012 are hereby repealed.”; and

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In section 80, in lines 675 and 676, by striking out the following: “may transfer not more than \$15,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the following: “shall transfer \$230,000,000.”.

After debate on the question on adoption of the consolidated amendments, the sense of the House was taken by the yeas and nays, as required under the provisions of House Rule 33F; and on the roll call 144 members voted in the affirmative and 12 in the negative.

**[See [Yea and Nay No. 33](#) in Supplement.]**

[Mr. Hunt of Boston answered “Present” in response to his name.]

Therefore the consolidated amendments (health and human services, and aging and independence) were adopted.

Consolidated  
amendments  
adopted,—  
yea and nay  
No. 33.

*Recess.*

At twenty-two minutes after eight o’clock P.M. (Monday, April 28), on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until the following day at eleven o’clock A.M.; and at that time, the House was called to order with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair.

Recess.