State of New Hampshire By His Excellency Craig R. Benson, Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2003-05

An order directing a reduction in Executive Branch expenditures

WHEREAS, RSA 9:16-b provides that "[n]ot withstanding any other provision of law, the governor may, with prior approval of the fiscal committee, order reductions in any or all expenditure classes within any or all departments, as defined in RSA 9:1, if [he] determines at any time during the fiscal year that: (a) projected State revenues will be insufficient to maintain a balanced budget and that the likelihood of a serious deficit exists;" and

WHEREAS, the Governor has determined that the projected state revenues for Fiscal Year 2003 are insufficient to fund state expenditures as authorized by Chapter 130, N.H. Laws of 2001; and

WHEREAS, the Governor and the Legislature are committed to taking such steps as are required to achieve a balanced budget by the end of the biennium; and

WHEREAS, the Governor has determined that it is in the public interest to meet with the legislative fiscal committee, which has, in turn, responded to the Governor's initiative by consenting to certain actions to reduce executive branch expenditures;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CRAIG R. BENSON, Governor of the State of New Hampshire, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by RSA 9:16-b and Part II, Article 41 of the New Hampshire Constitution, do hereby order, effective immediately:

a. The General Fund appropriations as authorized for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003 for each department listed below are hereby reduced by the amount indicated.

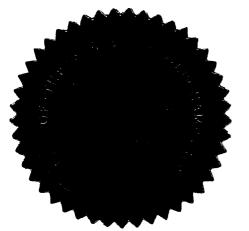
	AGENCY		
PAU	NUMBER	DEPARTMENT	AMOUNT
01-03	002	Executive Office	\$74,167
01-04	014	Administrative Services	150,000
01-05	028/031/032/051/064	Secretary of State	65,880
01-06	034	Cultural Resources	82,435
01-07	084	Revenue Administration	364,061
01-08	038	Treasury Department	3,667,238
01-09	089	Board Tax & Land Appeals	16,378
01-10	059	Retirement	596,117

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PAU	NUMBER	DEPARTMENT	AMOUNT
02-02	012	Adjutant General	26,247
02-03	018	Agriculture	1,582
02-04	020	Justice (Attorney General)	186,112
02-06	073	Public Emp Labor Rltns Brd	7,238
02-08	086	Pari-Mutuel Commission	10,161
02-12	026	Labor	23,564
02-13	077	Liquor	354,164
02-15	023	Safety	10,000
02-15	068	Electricians Board	8,276
02-16	046	Corrections	927,748
02-18	007	Judicial Council	9,147
02-19	076	Human Rights	11,091
03-03	035	Resources & Economic Dev.	295,885
03-04	044	Environmental Services	759,479
04-01	096	Transportation	70,855
05-01		Health & Human Services	10,109,083
05-02	043	Veterans' Home	4,228
05-03	066	Veteran' Council	3,289
05-05	074	HHS – Admin. Attached Boards	65,182
06-01	057	Post Secondary Educ. Comm.	106,193
06-03	056	Education	380,414
06-04	058	Comm. Tech. College System	625,585
06-04	061	Christa McAuliffe Planetarium	12,912

GRAND TOTAL 19,024,711

The reductions directed by this order shall remain in effect until June 30, 2003 or until terminated under the provisions of RSA 9:16-a; provided, however, that individual exceptions to any of the above provisions may be requested for emergencies and unusual circumstances by any agency in writing to the Governor. Any exceptions granted by the Governor shall be transmitted to the Fiscal Committee.



Given under my hand and seal at the Executive Chambers in Concord, this 16th day of April, in year of Our Lord, two thousand and three.

Governor of New Hampshire