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DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

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November 23, 2015

The Honorable Neal M. Kurk, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Requested Action

Pursuant to Chapter 276:198, Laws of 2015, Transfer Among Accounts, authorize the Department of Safety, Office of the Commissioner, to transfer \$1,722,444.00 within accounting units as outlined below. This request for transfer of funds is to realign appropriated funds for the purpose of executing the mission of the Homeland Security Grant funding at the local and state level. Effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approvals through June 30, 2016. Funding source: 100% Federal Funds.

Funds are to be budgeted as follows:

02-23-23-231010-41920000 Dept. of Safety Office of the Commissioner HLS Exercise Grants

Class	Description	Current SFY 2016 Adj. Authorized	Requested Action	Revised SFY 2016 Adj. Authorized
000-404492	Total Federal Funds	460,448.89	687,500.00	1,147,948.89
018-500106	Overtime	4,999.08	0.00	4,999.08
020-500200	Supplies (Consumable)	500.00	0.00	500.00
021-502668	Food Non-Institutional	100.00	0.00	100.00
060-500602	Health Ins Benefit (Perm)	988.80	0.00	988.80
070-500704	Mileage Private Cars (In-State)	1,155.00	0.00	1,155.00
072-500576	Grants to Local Government - Federal	451,705.78	687,500.00	1,139,205.78
080-500710	Common Carriers (Out-Of State)	1,000.23	0.00	1,000.23
	Total Expenses	460,448.89	687,500.00	1,147,948.89

02-23-23-231010-54090000 Dept. of Safety Office of the Commissioner HLS Training Grants

Class	Description	Current SFY 2016 Adj. Authorized	Requested Action	Revised SFY 2016 Adj. Authorized
000-404492	Total Federal Funds	717,329.21	1,034,944.00	1,752,273.21
018-500106	Overtime	4,931.66	0.00	4,931.66
020-500200	Supplies (Consumable)	27,629.10	0.00	27,629.10
030-500301	Office Equip. & Furnish (New)	35,745.71	0.00	35,745.71
037-500173	PC Desktop Hardware Maint.	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00
038-500175	Desktop Software	4,607.00	0.00	4,607.00

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050-500109	Part Time Salaries	220,577.89	0.00	220,577.89
057-500531	Books, Periodicals, Subscriptions	43,995.98	0.00	43,995.98
060-500611	FICA (Temporary)	17,251.54	0.00	17,251.54
070-500704	Mileage Private Cars (In-State)	29,772.12	0.00	29,772.12
072-500574	Grants to Local Government - Federal	297,707.98	1,034,944.00	1,332,651.98
080-500710	Common Carriers (Out-Of State)	6,560.23	0.00	6,560.23
102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	3,550.00	0.00	3,550.00
103-502664	Contracts for Operational Services	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
Total Expenses		717,329.21	1,034,944.00	1,752,273.21

02-23-23-231010-54100000 Dept. of Safety Office of the Commissioner HLS Equipment Grants

Class	Description	Current SFY 2016 Adj. Authorized	Requested Action	Revised SFY 2016 Adj. Authorized
000-404492	Total Federal Funds	9,339,039.06	(1,722,444.00)	7,616,595.06
046-500464	Consultants	449,999.84		449,999.84
072-500574	Grants to Local Government - Federal	8,889,039.22	(1,722,444.00)	7,166,595.22
Total Expenses		9,339,039.06	(1,722,444.00)	7,616,595.06

Explanation

This transfer of appropriations is to provide training and exercises for primarily local jurisdictions through the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) and the Law Enforcement specific component of this program. These funds will be used to build capabilities at the local level through grant eligible training and exercise activities and to implement the goals and objectives included in State Homeland Security Strategies and initiatives in the State Preparedness Report (SPR).

The Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) funds are used for costs related to preparedness activities associated with implementing the State Homeland Security Strategy and the DHS/FEMA approved Homeland Security Investment Justifications. The HSGP consists of the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP), the Citizen Corps Program, Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS) Program, and the Operation Stonegarden Program. Together, these programs provide an integrated mechanism to enhance the coordination of National Priority efforts to prevent, respond to, and recover from terrorist attacks, major disasters, and other emergencies.

The following information is provided in accordance with the Budget Officer's instructional memorandum dated April 17, 1985 to support the above requested actions:

Does transfer involve continuing programs or one-time projects? *This transfer is to provide sufficient appropriations to cover primarily local agency level First Responder training and exercise projects funded through the Homeland Security Grant Program, which is a continuing program.*

Is this transfer required to maintain existing program level or will it increase the program level? *This transfer will allow the Department of Safety to maintain the current annual level of training and exercise activity and to implement the mission of the Homeland Security Grants Program for local First Responder entities specifically with regard to federally eligible training and exercise programs and activities through June 30, 2017.*

Cite any requirements which make this program mandatory. *There are no requirements that make this program mandatory. However, this program has been federally approved by enabling Congressional language and has been 100% funded by federal award since 2003.*

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Identify the source of funds on all accounts listed on this transfer. *100% federal funds.*

Will there be any effect on revenue if this transfer is approved or disapproved? *No. However, approved Homeland Security grant funded training and exercise programs for local first responders will not be completed and programming scheduled in advance as part of the training and exercise calendars for local First Responders will need to be canceled.*

Are funds expected to lapse if this transfer is not approved? *No.*

Are personnel services involved? *No.*

Org 4192

4192 Class 72 Increased to match the demand for costs associated with local first responder participation in Exercises including Overtime and Backfill, hiring of Consultants, and travel at the local level.

Org 5409

5409 Class 072 Increased to match the demand for costs associated with local first responder participation in Training including Overtime and Backfill, hiring of Consultants, and travel at the local level.

Org 5410

5410 Class 072 Decreased to match the current need for equipment for local first responders.

Highway Funds or General Funds will not be used should federal funds become unavailable.

Respectfully submitted,


John J. Barthelmes
Commissioner of Safety

284:21-b Organization.

I. The commissioners shall select one from their number to be chairperson and another to be secretary of the commission. Two of the members of the commission shall constitute a quorum to do business. It shall be the duty of the secretary to keep a record of all proceedings of the commission and to preserve all books, documents, papers and records addressed to its care.

II. The commissioners shall appoint an executive director who shall receive the annual salary prescribed by RSA 94:1-a. The lottery executive director shall hold office for a term of 4 years. If a vacancy shall occur, it shall be filled for the remainder of the term. The lottery executive director may be removed by the commission for cause. Upon the effective date of this paragraph, the person who was the executive director shall commence the beginning of the first 4-year term, subject to renewal.

276:197 New Paragraph; Building Code Review Board; Travel Reimbursement. Amend RSA 155-A:10 by inserting after paragraph VI the following new paragraph:

VII. Members of the board shall receive mileage at the rate established in the United States Internal Revenue Code and Regulations when attending meetings of the board for the round trip distance from their residences to the location of the board meeting.

* 276:198 Department of Safety; Transfer Among Accounts. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, except RSA 9:17-c and RSA 99:4, for the biennium ending June 30, 2017, the commissioner of the department of safety is hereby authorized to transfer funds between and among all class lines and accounting units within the department as the commissioner deems necessary and appropriate to address present or projected budget deficits, or to respond to changes in federal law, regulations, or programs, and otherwise as necessary for the efficient management of the department; provided that any transfer over \$75,000 shall require prior approval of the fiscal committee of the general court and the governor and council.

276:199 Health and Human Services; Nursing Home Appropriations. Amend 2013, 143:1, accounting unit 05-95-48-481510-5942 by replacing the organizational notes immediately following such accounting unit with the following:

ORGANIZATION NOTES

*The appropriation contained in classes 504, 505, 506, and 529 may only be transferred between and among said classes. The appropriations shall not lapse or be used for any other purpose. The appropriations shall not be considered for budget reductions required pursuant to sections 10 and 14 of this act or any other budget reduction, including executive orders required of the department of health and human services. Any balance remaining at the end of each fiscal year shall be paid as additional rates based upon the rate setting methodology in effect at that time in a special rate adjustment.

276:200 Health and Human Services; Nursing Home Appropriations. Pursuant to the