

State of New Hampshire

By His Excellency

Craig R. Benson, Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 2003-3

**AN ORDER TRANSFERRING, CONSOLIDATING AND REORGANIZING
THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ENERGY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the Governor's Office of Energy and Community Services was created by Executive Order Number 91-6 issued on November 19, 1991 thereby consolidating the then existing Governor's Energy Office and the Division of Human Resources in order to achieve significant economies; and

WHEREAS, presently the maximization of federal funds, significant efficiencies and enhanced customer service through the reduction of administrative expense can be achieved by a transfer, reorganization and consolidation of the functions of the Governor's Office of Energy and Community Services; and

WHEREAS, a greater percentage of each federal dollar can thereby be made directly available to the intended recipients due to such savings and efficiencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **CRAIG R. BENSON, GOVERNOR**, of the **STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**, by the authority vested in me by Part II, Article 41 of the New Hampshire Constitution, do hereby rescind Executive Order Number 91-6 issued November 19, 1991, and all other executive orders issued thereafter, if any, dealing with the Governor's Office of Energy and Community Services, and in the place thereof, do hereby order the following:

1. The following programs currently managed by the Governor's Office of Energy and Community Services shall be transferred to the Office of State Planning:

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program; Senior Energy Assistance Services; Weatherization Assistance Program; Regional Weatherization One-on-One Site Training; Electric Assistance Program; Head Start; State Energy Program (SEP); SEP Special Projects - Rebuild America; NH Building Energy Codes Project; SEP Special Projects - NH Industries of the Future; Regional Biomass Energy Program; State Heating Oil & Propane Prices Program; SEP Special Projects - NH Energy and Environmental Integration; SEP Special

Projects - NH Energy Star Outreach Project; SEP Special Projects-NH – Bio-Oil Feasibility Study and Petroleum Violation Escrow (PVE) funds.

2. The following programs currently managed by the Governor's Office of Energy and Community Services shall be transferred to the Department of Health and Human Services:

Refugee Resettlement Program; Refugee Health Services – Preventive Health; Community Services Block Grant; Community Food and Nutrition and Senior Energy Assistance Services (SEAS).

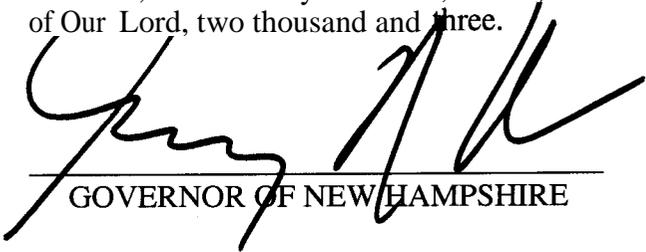
3. The Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) currently managed by the Governor's Office of Energy and Community Services shall be transferred to the Workforce Opportunity Council.

4. The following programs currently managed by the Governor's Office of Energy and Community Services shall be transferred to the Department of Administrative Services:

SEP Special Projects - NH National Guard – FEMP and State Energy Manager Program

5. That the transfer, reorganization and consolidation shall be effectuated in such a manner so as to protect and maximize to the greatest extent practicable all sources of federal funds for the above programs. All state employees and officials who may be requested to assist in this solemn undertaking shall do so to the best of their abilities and shall take all measures and do all things necessary to carry out this order.

Given at the Executive Chambers in Concord, this 10th day of March, in the year of Our Lord, two thousand and three.



GOVERNOR OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

