

GOVERNOR AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MINUTES
State House, Concord, New Hampshire
December 22, 2021 10:00 a.m.

The Governor and Executive Council convened at 10:00 a.m. with all members present.

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The Governor offered a reading and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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The Governor and Executive Council on motion of Councilor Gatsas, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, voted to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2021 meeting.

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The Governor and Executive Council, on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Warmington, approved the appointment of several persons nominated for Civil Commissions from the December 8, 2021 meeting.

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The Governor placed into nomination the several persons who applied for Civil Commissions.

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The following representative-elect was sworn into office:

Rockingham County District No. 6 (Derry)

Jodi Nelson, r, Derry (7 Nutmeadow Lane) 03038

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RESIGNATIONS

The Governor and Council accepted the following resignations.

Justice, New Hampshire Superior Court - RSA 491:1

Marguerite L. Wageling, Manchester

Effective: April 6, 2022

Midwifery Council - RSA 326-D

Evelyn A. Aissa, Concord

Effective: December 22, 2021

CONFIRMATIONS

The Governor and Council confirmed the following.

Adult Parole Board - RSA 651-A:3

(Criminal justice experience or post-secondary school teaching)

Eric Kulberg, Portsmouth

Succeeding: Donna Sytek, Salem

Effective: January 1, 2022

Term: September 29, 2026

Air Resources Council - RSA 21-O:11

(General Public)

J. Ryan Bielagus, Moultonborough

Reappointment

Effective: December 22, 2021

Term: December 6, 2023

Board of Licensure of Interpreters for the Deaf, Deafblind, and Hard of Hearing - RSA 326-I:3

(Recommended by N.H. Association of the Deaf)

Kristy Stellato, Hillsborough

Succeeding: Rosemary Ford, Nashua

Effective: December 22, 2021

Term: October 10, 2024

Board of Medicine - RSA 329

David C. Conway, Henniker

Reappointment

Effective: December 22, 2021

Term: December 3, 2026

Board of Optometry - RSA 327:2

Christine C. Donahue, Bedford

Succeeding: Joel R. Tuite, Littleton (resignation)

Effective: December 22, 2021

Term: July 1, 2024

Community College System of New Hampshire, Board of Trustees - RSA 188-F

(General Public)

Steven Slovenski, Lee
Reappointment

Effective: December 22, 2021
Term: June 30, 2024

Director of the Division of Enforcement, Department of Energy - Chapter 91, 2021

Paul G. Kasper, Hooksett
Vacancy
Salary: LG, GG \$99,112.00

Effective: December 22, 2021
Term: December 22, 2024

Executive Director, New Hampshire Land and Community Heritage Authority - RSA 227-M:6

Paula S. Bellemore, Goffstown
Succeeding: Dorothy Tripp Taylor, Hopkinton (resignation)

Effective: December 22, 2021
Term: December 20, 2025

Invasive Species Committee - RSA 430:54

(Environmental Interests)
Gabriel E. Roxby, Henniker
Reappointment

Effective: December 22, 2021
Term: August 9, 2024

Volunteer New Hampshire Board of Directors - RSA 19-H

(Community-based Organization)
Gregory J. Lange, Manchester
Reappointment

Effective: December 22, 2021
Term: October 10, 2024

Wetlands Council - RSA 21-O:5-a

(Construction Industry)
Kenneth Rhodes, Auburn
Succeeding: Jeffrey P. Cloutier, Laconia (resignation)

Effective: December 22, 2021
Term: July 11, 2022

NOMINATIONS

The following nominations were submitted:

Deferred Compensation Commission - RSA 101-B:2

(Unclassified state employee)
Rosemary Wiant, Hopkinton
Vacancy

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: July 15, 2022

Dental Hygienists Committee - RSA 317-A

(Nom. By the Dental Hygienists' Assoc.)
Jacqueline Harrison, Hillsborough
Succeeding: Myra J. Nikitas, Nashua (resigned)

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: September 28, 2024

Director of the Division of Water, Department of Environmental Services - RSA 21-O

Rene Pelletier, Wolfeboro
Vacancy
Salary: LG, HH, \$119,184.00
Term: May 23, 2022

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: May 23, 2022

Recreational Therapy Governing Board - RSA 328-F:4

Michael Bassett, Dover
Reappointment

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: October 25, 2024

Special Commissioner of the Public Utilities Commission - RSA 363:20

F. Anne Ross, New Durham
Vacancy
Per Diem: \$429.57

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: 2 years from Confirmation

Volunteer New Hampshire Board of Directors - RSA 19-H

(Expertise in needs of disadvantaged youth)
Andrea E. M. Brochu, Jefferson
Vacancy

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: April 20, 2023

CONSENT CALENDAR AGENDA

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Gatsas acted as follows:

#1 **MOP 150, I, B (1): Expenditure Approvals**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Commissioner

#A. Authorized to enter Olivia R. Afshar into an educational tuition agreement with Southern NH University, Manchester, NH, to participate in Corporate Financial Management and Optimizing Brands, during the period of January 3, 2022 through March 13, 2022, and to pay said costs in an amount of \$3,000. **20% Federal, 80% General Funds.**

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Office of the Commissioner

#B. Authorized to enter Denise M. Sherburne into an educational tuition agreement with Granite State College, Concord, NH, to participate in Project Management Strategies and Interdisciplinary Seminar, during the period of January 7, 2022 through March 21, 2022, and to pay said costs in an amount of \$1,915. **20% Federal, 80% General Funds.**

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Office of the Commissioner

#C. Authorized to enter Snjezana Milicevic into an educational tuition agreement with NHTI – Concord's Community College, Concord, NH, to participate in Nursing IIB, during the period of January 18, 2022 through May 7, 2022, and to pay said costs in an amount of \$3,000. **20% Federal, 80% General Funds.**

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#D. Authorized to enter Rebecca Lovell into an educational tuition agreement with Southern NH University, Manchester, NH, to participate in Applied Business Statistics, during the period of January 3, 2022 through March 13, 2022, and to pay said costs in an amount of \$1,119. **20% Federal, 80% General Funds.**

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#E. Authorized to enter Brent Ladman into an educational tuition agreement with Granite State College, Concord, NH, to participate in Principles of Human Service Management and Administration of Human Service Organizations, during the period of January 3, 2022 through June 24, 2022, and to pay said costs in an amount of \$2,582.40. **20% Federal, 80% General Funds.**

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Office of the Commissioner

#F. Authorized to enter Kristie Holtz into an educational tuition agreement with Southern NH University, Manchester, NH, to participate in Healthcare Administration Capstone, during the period of January 3, 2022 through March 13, 2022, and to pay said costs in an amount of \$1,881. **20% Federal, 80% General Funds.**

NEW HAMPSHIRE LOTTERY COMMISSION

#G. Authorized to enter Carmela Nolin into an educational tuition agreement with Southern NH University, Manchester, NH, to participate in Communication with Diverse Audiences and Perspectives in History, during the period of January 3, 2022 through April 24, 2022, and to pay said costs in an amount of \$1,728. **100% Lottery Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Division of Public Health Services

#H. Authorized to pay the Association of State and Tribal Home Visiting Initiatives, Washington, DC, in the amount of \$5,500 for annual membership dues. Effective January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

NEW HAMPSHIRE FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

#I. Authorized to pay the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, Washington, DC, the amount of \$36,440 for annual membership dues. Effective January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **100% Fish and Fame Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

#J. Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, Cannon Mountain Ski Area to pay the NH Ski for Schools, Waterville Valley, NH, the amount of \$24,996 for membership dues. Effective January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income).**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

#K. Authorized to pay calendar year 2022 membership dues to the Association of State Drinking Water Administrators, Arlington, VA, in the amount of \$8,145. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

#L. Authorized to pay the Association of State Correctional Administrators, Iona, ID, the amount of \$5,555 for membership dues. Effective January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **100% General Funds.**

STATE TREASURY

#M. Authorized to pay the College Savings Foundation, Arlington, VA, the amount of \$2,500 for membership fees. Effective January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **100% Other Funds (Unique Plan Management Fees).**

#2 **MOP 150, I, B (2): Approval of Acceptances**

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

#A. Authorized to accept contributions to the Department of Education's Teacher of the Year Fund in the total amount of \$1,900 from the companies as detailed in letter dated December 6, 2021. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Private Funds.**

#3 **MOP 150, I, B (3): Reports and Findings**

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

#A. **TABLED** - Councilor Kenney requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Gatsas, voted to **table** the request to accept and place on file the biennial report for fiscal years 2020 and 2021.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

#B. Councilor Stevens requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Stevens, voted to authorize to accept and place on file the Report and Findings of Councilor Cinde Warmington with regard to a certain project in participation with Monadnock Community Service Center, Keene, NH.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

#C. Authorized to accept and place on file the Report and Findings of Councilor Cinde Warmington with regard to a certain project in participation with New England College, Henniker, NH.

#4 **MOP 150, I, B (4): Nominations, Confirmations and Appointments**

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

#A. Authorized the confirmation of Lieutenant Colonel James R. Brown, Milton, MA, for promotion to the rank of Colonel, NH Air National Guard.

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#B. Authorized the confirmation of Captain Andrew F. Rodriguez, Barrington, NH, for promotion to the rank of Major, NH Air National Guard.

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#C. Authorized the confirmation of Major Autumn Ricker, Nottingham, NH, for promotion to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, NH Air National Guard.

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#D. Authorized the confirmation of Major Sherri L. Pierce, Barrington, NH, for promotion to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, NH Air National Guard.

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#E. Authorized the confirmation of Major Jackson R. McFarland, Kensington, NH, for promotion to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, NH Air National Guard.

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#F. Authorized the confirmation of Major Christa N. Frey, Acton, MA, for promotion to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, NH Air National Guard.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

#G. Authorized the confirmation of Lieutenant Colonel Justin C. Krowiciki, Mays Landing, NJ, for appointment to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, NH Air National Guard.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

#H. Authorized to appoint Daniel Mederos as a Criminal Investigator at a salary level of \$65,910, LG BB, Step 3. Effective upon G&C approval or December 17, 2021, whichever is later, through June 30, 2022.

#5 **MOP 150, I, B (5): Other Items**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Division for Behavioral Health

#A. Authorized to amend an existing contract with Buildings Bridges Initiative Inc., Milwaukee, WI (originally approved by G&C on 8-18-21, item #35), to modify the Six Core Strategies training and technical assistance for residential treatment providers and other child serving agencies, and to extend the completion date from December 31, 2021 to June 30, 2022, with no change in the price limitation of \$17,930. **100% Federal Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Division of Public Health Services

#B. Councilor Stevens requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, voted to authorize to amend an existing contract with Bio-Tech Medical Software Inc., d/b/a BioTrackTHC, Fort Lauderdale, FL (originally approved by G&C on 6-19-19, item #77), to continue to utilize the commercial cannabis registry database services, by extending the completion date from December 31, 2021 to December 31, 2022, with no changes to the price limitation of \$400,000. **100% Other Funds (Therapeutic Cannabis Program).**

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

#C. Authorized to amend a contract with the Community Development Finance Authority (CDFA), Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 7-14-10, item #9), to operate existing revolving loan funds and loan loss reserves which support a program known as Better Buildings under the terms of an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act – Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant’s Retrofit Ramp-up Program award to ENERGY (formerly OEP) from the US Department of Energy, by extending the completion date from December 31, 2021 to December 31, 2022. This contract enables CDFA to continue managing the loan funds and ensures continued compliance with federal funding restrictions and requirements. No Additional Funding.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

#D. Authorized to amend a grant to Sweetwater Hydroelectric LLC (originally approved by G&C on 6-24-20, item #95), to rehabilitate the Unit #3 hydroelectric generator and turbine at the Sweetwater Hydroelectric facility in Claremont, NH, by extending the completion date from December 31, 2021 to October 1, 2022. No Additional Funding. **100% Other Funds (Renewable Energy Fund).**

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

#E. Councilor Warmington requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, voted to authorize to amend an agreement with the Community Development Finance Authority, Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 12-9-09, item #9), to continue to operate the existing revolving loan fund program known as the Enterprise Energy Fund under the terms of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act - State Energy Program from the US Department of Energy, by extending the completion date from December 31, 2021 to December 31, 2022. Effective upon G&C approval. No Additional Funding.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

#F. Authorized to amend an award of grant funds to the Public Service of NH d/b/a Eversource Energy (originally approved by G&C on 4-17-19, item #50), to provide comprehensive energy efficiency programs for residential non-low income users, by extending the completion date from December 31, 2021 to December 31, 2022. **100% Energy Efficiency Fund F/K/A Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction Funds.** No Additional Funding.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

#G. Authorized, as successor for that purpose to the Public Utilities Commission, to amend an award of grant funds to Woodsville/Rochester Hydro Associates LLC (originally approved by G&C on 6-24-20, item #99), to replace the defunct hydroelectric generator and additional upgrades at the Wyandotte Hydroelectric Facility, Rochester, NH, by extending the completion date from December 31, 2021 to April 1, 2022. Effective upon G&C approval. No Additional Funding. **100% Other Funds (Renewable Energy).**

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

#H. Authorized the Bureau of Trails to amend a Recreational Trails Program grant agreement with the Brookline Conservation Commission, Brookline, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6-16-21, item #95), by extending the completion date from December 31, 2021 to August 31, 2022. No Additional Funding. **100% Federal Funds.**

REGULAR AGENDA

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Commissioner

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Kenney acted as follows:

#6 Authorized to transfer other funds in the amount of \$122,180 between class lines and create new classes. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Inter-Agency Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#7 Authorized to accept and expend federal funds from the American Rescue Plan Act in the amount of \$846,805 which will be used to provide increased staffing support to Sununu Youth Services Center. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#8 Authorized the determination made by the Commissioner that on November 26, 2021 a Mental Health Worker Trainee at NH Hospital sustained an injury in the line of duty due to a hostile or overt act, or an act caused by another during the performance of duties which are considered dangerous in nature. Effective upon G&C approval.

#9 Authorized the determination made by the Commissioner that on October 9, 2021 a Registered Nurse II at NH Hospital sustained an injury in the line of duty due to a hostile or overt act, or an act caused by another during the performance of duties which are considered dangerous in nature. Effective upon G&C approval.

#10 Authorized the determination made by the Commissioner that on November 16, 2021 a Mental Health Worker I at NH Hospital sustained an injury in the line of duty due to a hostile or overt act, or an act caused by another during the performance of duties which are considered dangerous in nature. Effective upon G&C approval.

#11 Authorized the determination made by the Commissioner that on November 25, 2021 a Mental Health Worker I at NH Hospital sustained an injury in the line of duty due to a hostile or overt act, or an act caused by another during the performance of duties which are considered dangerous in nature. Effective upon G&C approval.

#12 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive** amendment to an existing contract with One Call Government Solutions LLC d/b/a One Call, Jacksonville, FL (informational item D, G&C 5-5-21), to continue providing statewide transportation services to COVID-19 vaccination and testing appointments for individuals who do not receive NH Medicaid, by exercising a contract renewal option to extend the completion date from September 30, 2021 to December 31, 2021, with no change to the price limitation of \$400,000. **100% Federal Funds.**

#12A Authorized to accept and expend federal funds from the American Rescue Plan Act in the amount of \$4,004,000 which will be used to pay for testing at the University of NH lab for Long Term Care Facilities. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#12B Authorized, with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with GYK Antler, LLC/DBA GYK ANTLER, Manchester, NH (informational item #D, G&C 5-19-21), for additional production services to enhance a public service campaign to NH residents about the safety and efficacy of the COVID-19 vaccine, by increasing the price by \$900,500 from \$1,278,632 to \$2,179,132, and by extending the completion date from December 31, 2021 to March 31, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

Division of Medicaid Services

#13 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Stevens, authorized to amend an existing agreement with Myers & Stauffer LC, Owings Mills, MD (originally approved by G&C on 1-13-16, item #10), to continue conducting independent certified audits of the NH Medicaid Disproportionate Share Hospital payments in accordance with federal requirements, by exercising a renewal option by increasing the price by \$634,749 from \$1,195,607 to \$1,830,356 and by extending the completion date from December 31, 2021 to December 31, 2024. **50% Federal, 50% Other Funds (Medicaid Enhancement Tax).**

Legal and Regulatory Services

#14 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Stevens, and with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, authorized the Health Facilities Administration to add a newly reclassified position #40316, Licensing & Evaluation Coordinator, to the positions that have a 30% hourly rate enhancement. Effective upon G&C approval through August 31, 2023. **43.5% General, 45.82% Federal, 10.68% Other Funds.**

Division of Long Term Supports and Services

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Kenney acted as follows:

#15 Authorized to accept and expend Elder Justice Act ARP grant funds from the Administration for Community Living in the amount of \$645,450. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#16 Authorized to accept and expend federal funds in the amount of \$73,307,508 from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to fund the State's Home and Community Based Services Plan created pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#17 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive** amendment to an existing contract with the Contractor listed in bold (originally approved by G&C on 6-24-20, item #46D), as a result of the acquisition of Nashua Adult Day Health LLC by Adult Day Health Inc., on November 8, 2021, with no change to the price limitation of \$1,508,940 and no change to the completion date of June 30, 2022. **56.65% Federal, 43.35% General Funds.**

#18 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Community Action Program Belknap and Merrimack Counties Inc., Concord, NH, for the provision of the Senior Companion Program, in the amount of \$60,000. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024, with the option to renew for up to two additional years. **100% General Funds.**

Division for Children, Youth & Families

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Kenney acted as follows:

#19 Authorized the Bureau of Child Protection to accept and expend federal Family Violence Prevention and Services Act Grant – American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, in the amount of \$1,118,591 from the US Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for the Family Violence Prevention Program. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#20 Authorized to enter into **retroactive** amendments to existing grant agreements with the Grantees as detailed in letter dated November 8, 2021, to support court-approved Juvenile Court Diversion Programs that serve children and youth in the State of NH, by exercising contract renewal options, by increasing the price by \$630,010 from \$270,955 to \$900,965 and extending the completion date from June 30, 2021 to June 30, 2023. **100% General Funds.**

#20A Authorized to enter into a **retroactive sole source** contract with Maxim Healthcare Staffing Services Inc., Manchester, NH, to provide temporary Youth Counselors to support Sununu Youth Services Center, in the amount of \$846,720. Effective November 30, 2021 through July 31, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

New Hampshire Hospital

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Warmington acted as follows:

#21 Authorized to amend an existing contract with Baker Newman & Noyes PA LLC, Portland, ME (originally approved by G&C on 6-10-20, item #19), to continue providing Medicare cost reporting consulting services, by increasing the price by \$38,000 from \$37,800 to \$75,800 and by extending the completion date from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2024. **70% General, 30% Other Funds (Provider Fees/Intra-Agency Revenue).**

#22 Authorized to enter into a contract with Concord Hospital Inc., Concord, NH, for laboratory, pathology and employee health services, in the amount of \$467,950. Effective January 1, 2022, or upon G&C approval, whichever is later, through June 30, 2023, with the option to renew for up to 4 additional years. **8% Federal, 28% Other (Provider Fees), 64% General Funds.**

Glenciff Home

#23 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Stevens, authorized to enter into a contract with Technical Gas Products Inc., Wallingford, CT, for Oxygen Concentrator Rentals and Maintenance Services, in the amount of \$24,000. Effective January 1, 2022 or upon G&C approval, whichever is later, through December 31, 2023, with the option to renew for up to 4 additional years. **22.07% General, 77.93% Other Funds (Agency Funds).**

Division of Economic & Housing Stability

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Stevens acted as follows:

#24 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive** cooperative project agreement with Plymouth State University, Plymouth, NH, for the Youth Action Board as required by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program, in the amount of \$110,000. Effective October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022, with the option to renew for up to 5 additional years. **100% Federal Funds.**

#25 **WITHDRAWN** - The Agency withdrew the request to enter into a contract with Conduent State & Local Solutions Inc., Washington, DC, for State Disbursement and Electronic Funds Transfer Services, in the amount of \$9,786,028. Effective January 1, 2022 or upon G&C approval, whichever is later, through December 31, 2031, with the option to renew for up to 5 additional years. **66% Federal, 34% General Funds.**

#26 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive** amendment to an existing contract with Community Action Partnership of Strafford County, Dover, NH (originally approved by G&C on 3-3-21, item #14), for the ongoing provision of a Rapid Re-Housing, Permanent Housing Program serving NH individuals, youth and/or households through the Federal Continuum of Care Program, by exercising a contract renewal option, by increasing the price by \$449,624 from \$207,028 to \$656,652 and by extending the completion date from October 31, 2021 to October 31, 2023. **100% Federal Funds.**

Division of Public Health Services

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Wheeler acted as follows:

#27 Authorized to accept and expend funds from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to fund NH's Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Program in the amount of \$286,589. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#28 Authorized to accept and expend federal funds from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, entitled Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity to fund the Infection Prevention and Control Program under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act in the amount of \$279,404. (2)Further authorized to continue one temporary full-time position for ELC administrative purposes. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#29 Authorized to accept and expend federal funds from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to fund Detection & Mitigation of COVID in Confinement Facilities as mandated by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 in the amount of \$1,470,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#30 **WITHDRAWN** - The Agency withdrew the request to accept and expend federal funds in the amount of \$3,323,142 from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to fund Data Modernization as mandated by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act of 2020. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#31 Authorized to accept and expend federal funds in the amount of \$1,316,765 from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to fund the Immunization Program under the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, which contained the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021. (2)Further authorized to continue three temporary full-time positions for immunization purposes. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#32 Authorized to enter into a contract with Aaron McIntire, Hooksett, NH, for the provision of Commander services to support administration of a volunteer task force deployed during disasters and public health emergencies, in the amount of \$28,962. Effective January 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, with the option to renew for up to 2 additional years. **100% Federal Funds.**

#33 Authorized to amend an existing contract with ClearChoiceMD MSO LLC, New London, NH (originally approved by G&C on 10-13-21, item #27B), for COVID-19 testing at 8 locations across the state, by exercising a contract renewal option by increasing the price by \$20,000,000 from \$8,822,660 to \$28,822,660, and by extending the completion date from December 31, 2021 to March 31, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

#34 Authorized, with Councilor Warmington recusing herself, to amend an existing contract with On-Site Medical Services LLC, Charlestown, NH (informational item #J G&C 4-21-21), to continue to provide COVID-19 vaccinations and boosters to individuals across the state, as requested by the Department, by exercising a renewal option by increasing the price by \$16,216,374 from \$15,666,570 to \$31,882,944 and by extending the completion date from December 31, 2021 to March 31, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

#35 Authorized to enter into a contract with JSI Research & Training Institute Inc., Bow, NH, to provide a broad range of public health support services, in the amount of \$2,836,829. Effective January 1, 2022 or upon G&C approval, whichever is later, through December 31, 2024, with the option to renew for up to 4 additional years. **77% Federal, 4% General, 19% Other Funds (Pharmaceutical Rebates and Food Protection Fees).**

#36 Authorized to enter into a contract with Paul William Mortimer Jr., Manchester, NH, for logistics support of a volunteer task force deployed during disasters and public health emergencies, in the amount of \$10,500. Effective January 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, with the option to renew for up to 2 additional years. **100% Federal Funds.**

#37 Authorized to enter into a contract with Maxim Healthcare Staffing Services Inc., Manchester, NH, for Temporary Staff to support a variety of public health programs within the Department, in the amount of \$6,341,814. Effective January 1, 2022, or upon G&C approval, whichever is later, through December 31, 2023, with the option to renew for up to 2 additional years. **100% Federal Funds.**

#38 Authorized, with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, to amend existing contracts with the two vendors in bold as detailed in letter dated November 18, 2021 (originally approved by G&C on 2-20-19, item #21), for reimbursement payments of educational loans through the State Loan Repayment Program, by increasing the price by \$30,000 from \$815,500 to \$845,500 and by extending the completion date from December 31, 2021 to December 31, 2023. **100% General Funds.**

#39 Authorized to amend an existing contract with ConvenientMD LLC, Portsmouth, NH (informational item #G, G&C 5-5-21), to provide an additional van and continue supporting the mobile COVID-19 vaccination efforts, by exercising a renewal option by increasing the price by \$2,010,000 from \$3,345,000 to \$5,355,000 and by extending the completion date from December 31, 2021 to March 31, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

#40 Authorized to enter into contracts with the vendors as detailed in letter dated November 18, 2021, for reimbursement for payment of educational loans through the State Loan Repayment Program, in an amount not to exceed \$264,000. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2024, with the option to renew for up to 2 additional years. **100% General Funds.**

#41 Authorized to enter into **retroactive** amendments to existing contracts with the Contractors listed in bold as detailed in letter dated December 3, 2021, for the provision of Regional Public Health Network services statewide, by increasing the total price by \$557,144 from \$19,691,456 to \$20,248,600 with no change to the contract completion dates of June 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

#41A Authorized to amend an existing Cooperative Project Agreement with the University of NH, Durham, NH (informational item #H, G&C 1-22-21), to continue to provide COVID-19 sample testing, by increasing the price by \$6,000,000 from \$2,182,500 to \$8,182,500 with no change to the contract completion date of December 31, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

#41B Authorized to enter into **sole source** amendments to existing contracts with the Contractors as detailed in letter dated November 18, 2021, for infectious disease and lead poisoning testing, public health investigation, case management, and outreach and education services, by increasing the total price by \$1,969,000 from \$2,001,455 to \$3,970,455, and by extending the completion dates from December 31, 2021 to December 31, 2023. **94% Federal, 6% General Funds.**

#41C **SPLIT: FAILED/AUTHORIZED (see * below)** – request to enter into contracts with the contractors as detailed in letter dated December 7, 2021, to provide reproductive and sexual health services to individuals in need with a heightened focus on vulnerable and/or low-income populations, in an amount not to exceed \$2,055,498. Effective January 1, 2022, or upon G&C approval, whichever is later, through December 31, 2023, with two renewal options for two years each. **54% General, 46% Federal Funds.**

*The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Kenney voted to divide #41C as follows:

Authorized: Amoskeag Health, Coos County Family Health, and Lamprey Health Care on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Stevens, and with Councilors Gatsas and Wheeler voting **no**, were authorized.

Failed: Concord Feminist Health Center d/b/a Equality Health Center, Joan G. Lovering Health Center, and Planned Parenthood of Northern New England on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Stevens, voted to table, with Councilors Warmington, Gatsas and Wheeler voting **no, the motion to table failed**. The Governor then asked for a vote to confirm these contracts with Councilors Kenney, Stevens, Gatsas and Wheeler voting **no**, the Governor and Council **failed to authorize**.*

#41D Councilors Kenney, Gatsas and Wheeler voted no, failing to approve this item; then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Gatsas, seconded by Councilor Kenney voted to reconsider for the purpose of discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council authorized the request to enter into a **sole source** contract with Convenient MD LLC, Portsmouth, NH, to administer COVID-19 vaccinations at up to six COVID-19 sites, statewide, in the amount of \$7,200,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022, with the option to renew for up to one additional year. **100% Federal Funds.**

#41E Authorized to enter into a **retroactive sole source** contract with NH Medical Society, Concord, NH, to increase infrastructure and capacity for participating health care providers, statewide, to administer and reduce access barriers to COVID-19 vaccinations, in the amount of \$3,750,000. Effective October 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024, with the option to renew for up to 2 additional years. **100% Federal Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Gatsas acted as follows:

#42 Authorized the Division of Finance to accept and expend federal funds from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act in the amount of \$86,000,000 in FY22 and \$91,000,000 in FY 23 for various highway and bridge programs from the US Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration. (2)Further authorized to create 24 full-time temporary positions for programmatic purposes. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#43 Authorized the Bureau of Mechanical Services to increase the fleet by one attenuator truck, to be assigned to Highway Maintenance. Effective upon G&C approval.

#44 Authorized the Bureau of Right of Way to pay a property owner \$32,705.42 as documented in the Contemplated Awards List, for amounts greater than \$5,000 for the period extending from November 12, 2021 through November 22, 2021. Effective upon G&C approval.

#45 Authorized the Bureau of Right of Way to pay property owners \$80,000 as documented in the Contemplated Awards List, for amounts greater than \$5,000 for the period extending from November 9, 2021 through November 12, 2021.

#46 Authorized the Bureau of Right of Way to **retroactively** lease 60 linear feet of shoreline along Lake Winnepesaukee adjacent to Route 11 in the Town of Alton to Jake and Erin Sears, for an annual amount of \$2,098.20. Effective August 1, 2021 through July 31, 2026.

#47 Authorized the Bureau of Rail & Transit to enter into a Contribution Agreement with the Friends of the Northern Rail Trail, a NH voluntary non-profit corporation, relative to the acquisition and use of a certain portion of the Northern Railroad Corridor in Boscawen, NH. Effective upon G&C approval for a period of one year.

#48 Authorized to accept the Bureau of Rail & Transit's notification to the Governor and Executive Council of the acceptance of an offer from the Boston and Maine Corporation to purchase 5.475 acres of railroad land (the Northern Railroad Corridor) in Boscaawen, NH for \$110,000. The funds for the acquisition are being donated to the Department, via a Contribution Agreement, from the Friends of the Northern Rail Trail; the Contribution Agreement will be presented to you for approval at a future meeting.

#49 Authorized Planning and Community Assistance to enter into an agreement with Quantum Construction Consultants LLC, Concord, NH, for on-call engineering services for various transportation projects located throughout the State, for an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000. Effective upon G&C approval through October 31, 2024.

#50 **TABLED** – The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Gatsas, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, voted to **table** the request of the Bureau of Bridge Design to enter into an agreement with HNTB Corporation, Kansas City, MO, for the preliminary and final design for the preservation efforts associated with the five existing bridges carrying I-93 NB from Mile Mark 21.2 to Mile Marker 24.0, for a total not to exceed \$793,865.46. Effective upon G&C approval through November 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds.**

#51 Authorized the Bureau of Bridge Design to enter into an agreement with the firm of HDR Engineering Inc., Manchester, NH, for final design and associated environmental services for the replacement of the existing Red List bridge carrying NH Route 1A over Hampton River in the Town of Hampton, for an amount not to exceed \$1,991,660.55. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds.**

#52 Authorized the Bureau of Bridge Design to enter into an agreement with the firm of Greenman-Pedersen Inc., Portsmouth, NH, for preliminary design for the rehabilitation of the red list bridge (Br. No. 075/113) carrying North Road over the Androscoggin River in the Town of Shelburne, for an amount not to exceed \$244,428.98. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds.**

*[*Upon request by Councilor Gatsas, click here to view the status update from the Bureau of Right of Way, for the Derry-Londonderry 13065, Exit 4A project.*](#)*

STATE TREASURY

#53 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Stevens, authorized the State Treasurer to proceed with the sale and issuance of up to \$5 million of general obligation bonds through a private placement with the NH Municipal Bond Bank should the NHMBB choose to proceed with a new money issue and/or a refunding issue. This resolution will have an expiration date of June 30, 2022.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, MARKETS & FOOD

#54 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Stevens, authorized Plant Industry to transfer funds in and among classes within an accounting unit and to create new class codes in the amount of \$1,124 for the purchase of a camera/microscope adaptor system. (2) Further authorized to transfer funds in and among classes within an accounting unit and to create new class codes in the amount of \$7,124 for the purchase of two tablets for field trapping data collection. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

NEW HAMPSHIRE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

#55 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney, authorized to enter into a lease with 300 Hanover Street LLC, North Hampton, NH (originally approved by G&C on 11-18-16, item #52), for rental of 9,865 square feet of office space, Manchester, NH, for a total of \$1,037,107.56. Effective upon G&C approval or January 1, 2022, whichever is later, through December 31, 2026. **100% Federal Funds.**

NEW HAMPSHIRE LIQUOR COMMISSION

#56 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Stevens, authorized to accept the report of the closure of NH Liquor and Wine Outlet #27, Nashua, NH, and request approval of the Indirect Cost Allocation Plan for State Fiscal Year 2021. **Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

GOVERNORS OFFICE FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Gatsas acted as follows:

#57 Authorized to accept and expend in an amount not to exceed \$136,386 in American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds to fund the Behavioral Health, Dual Diagnosis Capability in Addiction Assessment Pilot Program that will provide training and consultation for developing, implementing, and sustaining evidence based practices in recovery oriented approach to mental health and substance use disorder treatment. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#58 Authorized to accept and expend in an amount not to exceed \$411,241 in Emergency Rental Assistance Housing Stability Services Funds American Rescue Plan Act to fund the Evacuee Resettlement Program to provide housing stability services including housing navigators and housing case managers to help each Afghan individual and family secure housing and apply for federal rental relief through NH Emergency rental Assistance Program. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#59 Authorized to accept and expend in an amount not to exceed \$785,385 in American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds to fund the NH Needs Caregivers Licensed Nursing Assistants Extended Learning Opportunities Program to rapidly grow a pipeline of caregivers available for work in NH's nursing homes and other healthcare settings by piloting a program to recruit and train at least 300 high school students to become LNAs. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Warmington acted as follows:

#60 Authorized the Office of International Commerce to **retroactively** renew its membership with The Council of State Governments d/b/a Eastern Trade Council, New York, NY, in the amount of \$4,750 to provide regional export trade research and related trade development programs for the period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. **100% General Funds.**

#61 Authorized the Office of International Commerce to enter into a **sole source** contract agreement with the Granite State District Export Council, Dover, NH, to provide financial administration, oversight and reporting services in compliance with federal grants received under the State Trade Expansion Program and the Market Development Cooperator Program. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2026. **100% Federal Funds.**

#61A Authorized the Division of Travel and Tourism Development to enter into a contract with Bayberry Visuals, Plymouth, NH, for Winter Asset Capture, in the amount of \$135,000. Effective December 24, 2021 through May 1, 2022. **100% General Funds.**

#61B Authorized the Division of Travel and Tourism Development to enter into a contract with Walk Tall Inc., Yarmouth, ME, for Winter Asset Capture, in the amount of \$117,797. Effective December 24, 2021 through May 1, 2022. **100% General Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Stevens acted as follows:

#62 Authorized the NH State Library to budget and expend prior year carry forward funds in the amount of \$33,579 to purchase books or other supplies or facilities for the State Library. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% Other Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#63 Authorized, with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, the Division of Forests and Lands to accept and expend federal funds in the amount of \$130,259 from the US Environmental Protection Agency to document wetlands on public lands with high ecological value to inform environmental reviews, mitigation, and conservation. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#64 Authorized the State Council on the Arts to award a Partnership Grant to Arts Alive Inc., Keene, NH, in the amount of \$20,000 to act as Fiscal Agent for the 25th Arts in Education Partnership Conference. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

#65 Authorized the State Council on the Arts to award a Partnership Initiative Grant to the NH Learning Initiative Inc., Hampton, NH, in the amount of \$20,000 for the NH Poetry Out Loud High School Recitation Program in the amount of \$20,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

#66 Authorized the State Council on the Arts to award Public Value Partnership grants to the Nonprofit Art Organizations as detailed in letter dated December 2, 2021, in a total amount of \$130,500 to strengthen their capacity for affordable diverse arts programs to NH residents and visitors. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% General Funds.**

#67 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation to enter into a **sole source** contract with Unitil Energy Systems Inc., Exeter, NH, to upgrade Hampton South Beach Recreational Vehicle Park to a Three Phase Service, in the amount of \$58,010.98. Effective upon G&C approval through February 18, 2022. **100% Other Funds.**

#68 Authorized the NH State Library to award Institute of Museum and Library Services, Library Services & Technology Act, American Rescue Plan Act sub-grants to the 42 public libraries as detailed in letter dated November 23, 2021, in a total amount of \$825,442 to promote continuous improvement in library services in all types of libraries to better serve the people of NH. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

#69 Authorized the Bureau of Trails to enter into **retroactive** Grant-In-Aid Trail Maintenance Agreements with the snowmobile clubs as detailed in letter dated November 30, 2021, in the total amount of \$2,252,776.06 for grooming of approximately 5,000 miles of snowmobile trails throughout the State. Effective December 15, 2021 through May 31, 2022. **100% Other Funds (Transfers from Fish & Game – Snowmobile Registration Fees).**

#70 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, Cannon Mountain Ski Area to make a **retroactive** payment to Ski NH Inc., Conway, NH, the amount of \$5,426.62 for membership dues. Effective December 1, 2021 through April 30, 2022. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income).**

#71 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, Cannon Mountain Ski Area to make a **retroactive** payment to the National Ski Areas Association, Lakewood, CO, in the amount of \$5,375.65 for membership dues. Effective July 2, 2021 through June 30, 2022. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income).**

#72 Authorized the State Library to award a Conservation Number Plate (Moose Plate) Grant to the Strafford County Department of Corrections, Dover, NH, in the amount of \$10,000 for the repair and protection of 2 historical volumes of Strafford County records. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2022. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income).**

#73 Authorized the Bureau of Historic Sites to enter into a **sole source** contract with Kate Shattuck, Lebanon, ME, for plaster repair and wallpaper installation at the Wentworth Coolidge Mansion in Portsmouth, NH, in the amount of \$16,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income).**

#74 Authorized the Division of Forests and Lands to enter into a contract with The Public Archaeology Laboratory Inc., Pawtucket, RI, to research and prepare a NH Individual Inventory Form for each of 15 Fire Tower Facilities located throughout NH and one Historic Property Management Plan including all 15 sites, in the amount of \$39,765. Effective upon G&C approval through November 30, 2022. **100% Capital Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Stevens acted as follows:

#75 Authorized to accept and place on file the 2019-2020 biennial report of pollution prevention activities for the period of January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020.

#76 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Windsor Solutions Inc., Portland, Oregon, to purchase the newest State and Local Emission Inventory System software and to pay a one-year license and maintenance fee for that software, in an amount of \$55,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds.**

#77 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** agreement with the Trustees of Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH, to assist in evaluating environmental per- and polyfluoroalkyl substance concentrations and bioaccumulation in Great Bay bivalves, in the amount of \$65,786. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% Emerging Contaminants.**

#78 Authorized to **retroactively** amend a Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund grant to the Pine Grove MHP Cooperative Inc., Swanzey, NH (originally approved by G&C on 11-6-19, item #39), by extending the completion date from December 1, 2021 to October 1, 2022. No Additional Funding. **100% Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund.**

#79 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** agreement with the Rockingham Planning Commission, Exeter, NH, for the *Flood Smart Seacoast* project, in the amount of \$70,000. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2023. **100% Federal Funds.**

#80 Authorized to enter into a contract with the NH Water Works Association Inc., Concord, NH, to provide training classes for certified drinking water operators and contract services for NH's Drinking Water Week Festival, totaling \$80,000. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2023. **100% Drinking Water Loan Management and DWSRF Administration Fund.**

#81 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** agreement with the University of NH, Sponsored Program Administration, Durham, NH, in the amount of \$35,447 to complete the Nutrient Loading Indicator study for the 2022 State of Our Estuaries Report, in the amount of \$35,447. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2022. **100% CWSRF Management Fees.**

#82 Authorized to award a **sole source** grant to the Gundalow Company, Portsmouth, NH, to conduct an on-board environmental education series at locations in the Seacoast region, in the amount of \$25,000. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

#83 Authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the Town of Colebrook totaling \$2,500 for the purpose of used oil collections. Effective upon G&C approval through November 15, 2022. **100% Hazardous Waste Cleanup Funds.**

#84 Authorized to enter into grant agreements with the Town of Londonderry and the City of Portsmouth totaling \$14,419 to fund Household Hazardous Waste collection projects. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% Hazardous Waste Funds.**

#85 Authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the City of Rochester totaling \$14,206 to fund Household Hazardous Waste collection projects. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% Hazardous Waste Funds.**

#86 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** agreement with the Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation Inc., Portsmouth, NH, for the marine Debris Cleanup and Education Program, for a total of \$25,000. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

#87 Authorized to enter into an amendment to an existing lease agreement with Gerald P. McCarthy Properties, Wareham, MA, for storage of emergency response vehicles and equipment, in the amount of \$16,200. Effective January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **25% Hazardous Waste Cleanup, 75% Oil Pollution Control Funds.**

#88 Authorized to **retroactively** amend a Diesel Emissions Reduction Act grant to the Town of Lisbon (originally approved by G&C on 4-7-21, item #47), by extending the completion date to September 30, 2022 from September 30, 2021. No Additional Funding. **45% Federal DERA Funds, 55% Volkswagen Trust Funds.**

#89 Authorized to **retroactively** amend a Diesel Emissions Reduction Act grant to the Town of Barnstead (originally approved by G&C on 4-7-21, item #46), by extending the completion date to September 30, 2022 from September 30, 2021. No Additional Funding. **45% Federal DERA Funds, 55% Volkswagen Trust Funds.**

#90 Authorized the 2011 Kroon Family Irrevocable Trust's request for a five year permit time extension to perform work on Lake Winnepesaukee in Alton (originally approved by G&C on 3-8-17, item #55).

#91 Authorized the Town of Sunapee's request to perform work on Sunapee Lake in Sunapee.

#92 Authorized Strachan Family Revocable Trust's request to perform work on Bellamy River in Dover.

#93 Authorized the Roy and Barbara Putnam Revocable Trust's request for a five year permit time extension of the NH Department of Environmental Services Wetlands Bureau, to perform work on Lake Winnepesaukee in Moultonborough, (originally approved by G&C on 2-15-17, item #47).

#94 Authorized Ronald Koning's request to perform work on Lake Winnepesaukee in Alton.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Gatsas acted as follows:

#95 Authorized to accept and expend in an amount not to exceed \$400,644 in American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds to fund the College and Career Skills Mentoring Pilot Program to provide support for Big Brothers Big Sisters of NH preliminary use of Mentor 2.0, which provides one-on-one technology enhanced mentoring to high school students, who are low-income and would be first generation college students. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#96 Authorized the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation to accept and expend Randolph-Sheppard Financial Relief and Restoration grant funds for the NH Randolph-Sheppard program in the amount of \$90,652 from the US Department of Education. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

#97 Authorized the Division of Education and Analytic Resources to amend an existing contract with Community & School Partners LLC, Rye, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6-2-21, item #109), to upgrade the Educational Statistics System application, by extending the end date from December 31, 2021 to June 30, 2022. No Additional Funding. **8% Federal, 92% General Funds.**

#98 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with TeachUNITED, Fort Collins, CO, to provide and plan services and leadership for five small and rural NH schools, in an amount not to exceed \$170,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds.**

#99 Authorized the Bureau of Career Development to enter into a **sole source** contract with Awato LLC, Manchester, NH, to provide administrative and marketing services for a wage-match program, reimbursing employers up to 50% of a student's qualifying wages in a paid work-based learning opportunity, with the objective of leading to academic credit, in the amount not to exceed \$2,500,000. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Gatsas, seconded by Councilor Stevens acted as follows:

#100 Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to accept and expend Public Assistance Grant Program funds in the amount of \$6,936,491 from the Federal Emergency for severe storms and flooding July 17-19, 2021 and severe storms and flooding July 29-30, 2021. (2)Further authorized to create seven temporary full-time positions to assist with Public Assistance grant administration. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#101 Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to accept and expend Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funds in the amount of \$10,236,362 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for COVID-19. (2)Further authorized to create three temporary full-time positions to assist with Hazard Mitigation grant administration. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#102 Authorized to accept and expend High Hazard Potential Dam grant funds in the amount of \$1,157,640 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for increasing the safety of high hazard dams within the State of NH. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#103 Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to enter into a grant agreement with the City of Lebanon to update their hazard mitigation plan for a total amount of \$9,999.75. Effective upon G&C approval through May 29, 2023. **100% Federal Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Gatsas acted as follows:

#104 Authorized to accept and expend a Federal Fiscal Year 2020 grant, in the amount of \$560,253, and a Federal Fiscal Year 2021 grant, in the amount of \$227,306, for a total of \$787,559 from the US Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, National Criminal History Improvement Program Grant, for the purpose of upgrading and/or maintaining existing criminal history technology systems and to purchase Livescan fingerprinting machines, maintained at the Department of Safety. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. (2)Further authorized to subgrant \$217,538 to the NH Department of Safety, from the Federal Fiscal Year 2020 US Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, National Criminal History Improvement Program Grant, for the purpose of purchasing ten Livescan fingerprinting machines. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on December 17, 2021.**

#105 Authorized to enter into a subgrant with the NH Department of Safety, Concord, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$64,837 from the Federal Fiscal Year 2021 Byrne JAG-Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act Grant to help maintain the Sex Offender Registry and to comply with SORNA requirements. Effective upon G&C approval through July 31, 2023. **100% Federal Funds.**

#106 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Sophus Consulting Inc., Folsom, CA, for the purpose of providing support and maintenance for the Department's ProLaw case management system, for an amount not to exceed \$375,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2026. **100% General Funds.**

#107 Authorized to enter into a subgrant with the NH Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, Concord, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$407,347 from the US Department of Justice, Violence Against Women, Sexual Assault Services Program Grant, for the purpose of providing services to victims of domestic and sexual violence. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds.**

#108 Authorized to enter into subgrants with the organizations as detailed in letter dated December 6, 2021, in the amount of \$450,725 from the US Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women, Violence Against Women Formula Grant for the purpose of providing services for women in NH who are victims of violent crimes. Effective upon G&C approval or January 1, 2022, whichever is later, through March 31, 2023. **100% Federal Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney acted as follows:

#109 Authorized the Division of Personnel's request for wavier of classification decisions. Effective upon G&C approval.

#110 Authorized to amend an existing contract with D. L. King & Associates Inc., Nashua, NH (originally approved by G&C on 12-18-20, item #68), for Door Installation and Repair Services on an as needed basis, by increasing the price by \$40,000 from \$27,200 to \$67,200. Effective upon G&C approval.

#111 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** Cooperative Project Agreement with the University of NH Institute for Health Policy and Practice, Durham, NH, to provide facilitation services so the State Employee and Retiree Health Benefit Plan can, as a member of the NH Purchasers Group on Health, evaluate local and national trends in value-based purchasing including health care cost containment strategies, employer coalition initiatives, and contracting strategies, in an amount not to exceed \$35,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **42% General, 20% Federal, 3% Enterprise, 14% Highway, 1% Turnpike, 20% Other Funds.**

#112 Authorized to amend an existing **sole source** contract with Blake Group Holding Inc., d/b/a Blake Equipment, Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 7-14-21, item #52), for boiler and steam system maintenance and repair services by extending the completion date from December 31, 2021 to June 30, 2023, and by increasing the price by \$39,901 from \$23,308.16 to \$63,209.16. **66% General, 34% Transfer from other Agency Funds.**

#113 Authorized the Division of Public Works Design and Construction to enter into a contract with Turnstone Corporation, Milford, NH, for the Morton, Johnson, HHS Underground Tank Removal and AST Install, Concord, NH, for a total price not to exceed \$697,697. Effective upon G&C approval through July 1, 2022. **100% Capital Funds.** (2)Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$7,000 for unanticipated modifications, bringing the total to \$704,697. **100% Transfers from Other Agencies.** (3)Further authorized the amount of \$25,303 for payment to the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Public Works Design and Construction, for engineering services provided, bringing the total to \$730,000. **100% Transfers from other Agencies.**

#114 Authorized to accept and place on file the 69th Annual Report for the Division of Personnel of the Department of Administrative Services for Fiscal Year 2021.

#115 Authorized the Division of Public Works Design and Construction to enter into a contract with Weatherguard Industries, North Hampton Massachusetts, for Roof Replacements and Exterior Repairs at 19 Pillsbury Street, 101 Pleasant Street, and 64 South Street, Concord, NH, for a total price not to exceed \$486,000. (2)Further authorized the amount of \$15,000 for payment to the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Public Works Design and Construction, for engineering services provided, bringing the total to \$501,000. Effective upon G&C approval through July 29, 2022. **100% Capital Funds.**

#116 Authorized the Division of Public Works Design and Construction to enter into a contract with Engineered Construction Services Inc., Raymond, ME, for the REBID Heating System Improvements, Concord, NH, for a total price not to exceed \$717,811. (2)Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$108,000 for unanticipated modifications, bringing the total to \$825,811. (3)Further authorized the amount of \$23,000 for payment to the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Public Works Design and Construction, for engineering services provided, bringing the total to \$848,811. **100% Revolving Funds.**

#117 Authorized the list of Governor and Council meeting dates for the period of January through June 2022.

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ITEM REMOVED FROM THE TABLE

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Warmington voted to remove item #33 from the table – which was originally tabled at the November 22, 2021 G&C meeting.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#33 **WITHDRAWN** – The Governor withdrew the request of the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with W J Riegel Rail Solutions LLC, Selkirk, NY, for railway-highway reconstruction in Wilton, on the basis of a single bid of \$1,350,763.97. (2)Further authorize a contingency in the amount of \$67,538.20 for payment of latent conditions which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through August 26, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

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LATE ITEMS

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Office of the Commissioner

A. The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Stevens, authorized the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Commissioner, to enter into the COVID-19 Vaccination Aid Agreement with an unspecified number of First Responder Organizations and to make unencumbered payments to participating First Responder Organizations that provide personnel to assist the State with administering COVID-19 vaccinations, not to exceed a shared price limitation of \$6,000,000 across all participating organizations, effective January 1, 2022, upon Governor and Council approval, through March 31, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

GOVERNORS OFFICE FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY (GOFERR)

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Stevens acted as follows:

B.

1. Allocate up to \$250,000 to reimburse the Department of Administrative Services for HVAC upgrades to provide HEPA filtration in public state buildings for work under contract by December 31, 2021 to the extent the work is completed and paid for by September 30, 2022, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds.**

2. Allocate up to \$627,771.79 to reimburse the New Hampshire General Court for the following: Reimbursement of unbudgeted COVID-19 related expenditures incurred by the General Court of New Hampshire, including but not limited to the disinfection and cleaning supplies, social distancing needs, air filtration equipment, purchase of computer equipment and related equipment and licenses needed for staff to work remotely, and expenses related to Senate and House Session venue changes necessitated by COVID-19 restrictions from April 6 to December 30, 2021 in the amount of \$209,357.29, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds.**

Reimburse the General Court for Committee Room Live Streaming Equipment and costs up to \$418,414.50 to incurred or obligated by December 31, 2021 and paid for by September 30, 2022, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds.**

3. Allocate up to \$7,800,000 to reimburse State Agencies for expenses of providing paid sick and paid family and medical leave to public employees to enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions between March 1, 2020, and December 31, 2021, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds.**

C.

1. Pursuant to RSA 14-30-a, VI, authorized GOFERR to amend Fiscal Item # 21-394, approved on December 17, 2021, and Governor & Council item # 12A on the December 22, 2021 agenda, for testing at the University of New Hampshire (UNH) lab for Long Term Care Facilities, by changing the funding source from ARPA SFRF to CARES CRF for this allocation of \$4,004,000, effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds.**

2. Pursuant to RSA 14-30-a, VI, authorized GOFERR to amend Fiscal Item # 21- 361, approved on November 19, 2021, and Governor & Council item # 14 on November 22, 2021, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) contract for COVID-19 At Home Testing with Vault, by changing the funding source from ARPA SFRF to CARES CRF for this allocation of \$8,008,000, effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds.**

3. Pursuant to RSA 14-30-a, VI, authorized GOFERR to amend Fiscal Item # 21- 315, approved on October 22, 2021, and Governor & Council item # 7C on October 27, 2021, the DHHS, New Hampshire Hospital support for COVID-19 vaccine administration conducted by Federally Qualified Health Centers and voluntary school based and/or community clinics conducted by Regional Public Health Networks, by changing the funding source from ARPA SFRF to CARES CRF for this allocation of \$4,686,000, effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds.**

4. Pursuant to RSA 14-30-a, VI, authorized GOFERR to amend Fiscal Item # 21-170, approved on June 18, 2021, and Governor & Council item # 103 on June 30, 2021, the New Hampshire Employment Security Summer Stipend Return to Work Program to incentivize return to work in summer 2021, by changing the funding source from the ARPA SFRF to CARES CRF for this allocation of \$2,500,000 , effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds.**

D.

Authorized to allocate up to \$10,000,000 to reimburse hospitals for the increased cost of patient care pursuant to grants that will be awarded by December 31, 2021 for in-patient care provided during the current COVID-19 surge from September 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 as the hospitals are serving as an essential component of the State's healthcare system. The Governor and Executive Council to authorized the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) to enter into direct beneficiary award agreements (see template attached), in the amounts listed in the attached spreadsheet based on each facility's ten-day average, without further approval, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000, in Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding to make awards for the COVID-19 Relief for Hospitals Program for increased costs for patient care resulting from COVID-19, effective upon approval of the Governor and Council through June 30, 2023 Funding Source: **100% Federal Funds**

E.

Authorized to allocate up to **\$400,000** to provide a grant to Lions Camp Pride NH to construct an outdoor pavilion for use for developmentally disabled children in a safer, outdoor, socially distanced environment. The Governor and Executive Council authorized the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) to enter into a subaward in substantially the form of the template attached, without further approval in an amount not to exceed \$400,000, in Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding to Lions Camp Pride NH to construct an outdoor pavilion for use for developmentally disabled children in a safer, outdoor socially distanced environment that will be awarded by December 31, 2021, construction to be under contract by December 31, 2021 and completed by September 15, 2022 effective upon approval of the Governor and Council through June 30, 2023 Funding Source: **100% Federal Funds.**

F.

Authorized to allocate up to **\$1,000,000** for the New Hampshire Doorways initiative to support efforts to address alcohol addiction related issues, which have increased during the COVID-19 health crisis. The Governor and Executive Council authorized the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) to enter into a subaward in substantially the form of the template attached, without further approval in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000, to New Hampshire Hospital Association, Foundation for Healthy Communities (FHC) to make subawards with the hospitals that will be awarded by December 31, 2021, completed by September 15, 2022 effective upon approval of the Governor and Council through June 30, 2023 Funding Source: **100% Federal Funds.**

G.

Authorized the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) to enter into sub awards with the Shelter entities listed below, in an amount not to exceed \$1,749,006, for the COVID-19 Impact Shelter Modification Program, to help with recovery from the effects of the public health emergency, effective upon Governor and Council approval through September 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

H.

Authorized to allocate up to \$500,000 for support of New Hampshire children who have lost a primary caregiver during the pandemic to the COVID or the opioid epidemic between March 1, 2020 and December 31, 2021. The Governor and Executive Council authorized the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) to enter into a subaward in substantially the form of the template attached, without further approval in an amount not to exceed \$500,000, in Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding to Friends of Aine Foundation Center for Grieving Children and Families, facilitated and overseen by Granite United Way that will be awarded by December 31, 2021, completed by September 15, 2022 effective upon approval of the Governor and Council through June 30, 2023 Funding Source: **100% Federal Funds.**

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The Next regular Governor and Executive Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday January 12, 2022, at the State House, Concord, NH.

The Honorable Board then Adjourned at 1:15 p.m