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The Honorable Mary Jane Wallner, Chairman
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August 14, 2019

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Executive Council
State House
Concord, NH 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 145, subparagraph I, (a), Laws of 2019, the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department, requests authorization to exceed the 3/12 limitation of said resolution for the accounts listed on the attached analysis, in the total amount of **\$39,947**, to the extent shown as projected deficits for the period of Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approval through September 30, 2019. **100% Federal Funds**

PERSONAL SERVICES PERMANENT

Account	Division	Class	Cont. Res. Budget	Estimated Expenditures	Projected Deficit
03-75-75-752520-78870000	CONSERVATION LAW ENFORCEMENT	018	27,500	67,447	(39,947)
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	Federal Funding (F)		27,500	67,447	(39,947)
	Total Funding		27,500	67,447	(39,947)

EXPLANATION

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department (NHFGD) respectfully requests that above expenditure classes in specific accounting units be increased for the amounts noted, in excess of the 3/12 limitation established pursuant to Chapter 145, subparagraph I, (a), Laws of 2019.

The deficits projected through the end of the continuing resolution, September 30, 2019, are the result of anticipated overtime obligations, which will exceed the 25% level of funding for FY 2019, as reflected in the DAS agency budget request for the FY 2020-2021 biennium.

The primary driver for the shortfalls expected in the overtime line is Law Enforcement performance on the Joint Enforcement Agreement federal grant from NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service. The bulk of this grant is utilized in summer and early fall and time is not evenly distributed around the calendar. Total overtime on this grant for the contract period was \$92,898.00.

Listed below are answers to standard questions required of all Fiscal Committee item requests, related to RSA 9:16-a, "Transfers authorized", RSA 14:30-a, VI "Expenditure of funds over \$100,000 from any Non State Source", or RSA 124:15, "Positions Authorized", or both, and all emergency requests pursuant to " Chapter 145, subparagraph I, (a), Laws of 2019, making temporary appropriations for the expenses and encumbrances of the State of New Hampshire":

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1. **Is the action required of this request a result of the Continuing Resolution for FY 2020?** Yes, this request is a result of the Continuing Resolution. This action would not have been requested if the FY 2020-2021 Operating Budget proposal had been approved.
2. **If this request is retroactive what is the significance and importance of the action being effective from an earlier date?** This request is not retroactive.
3. **Is this a previously funded and ongoing program established through Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council action? (If so, include as an attachment the original documents as approved and cite the specific dates of authorization and end dates for each action as part of your answer to this question.)** This request is not related to prior Fiscal Committee and/or Governor and Council action.
4. **Was funding for this program included in the FY 2018-2019 enacted Budget or requested and denied?** Funding was included in FY 18-19
5. **Is this program in total or in part, included in the vetoed FY 2020-2021 Operating Budget proposal currently pending for your department, or was it requested and denied?** The total amount is included in the vetoed budget.
6. **Does this program include, either positions or consultants, and if so are the positions filled, vacant, or have offers pending? (Please provide details for each position and note whether consultant contracts have been awarded.)** This only included currently filled Conservation Law officer positions.
7. **What would be the effect should this program be discontinued or not initiated as a result of this request being denied?** The State is obligated to make payment to individuals for the work that they perform on our behalf. The denial of the request would necessitate that NHFGD return to Fiscal Committee with a transfer request compiled from any allowable expenditure class line with identical funding to mitigate the anticipated shortfalls in these salaries and benefit lines.

Respectfully submitted,



Glenn Normandeau,
Executive Director