

FISCAL COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL COURT
MINUTES
September 26, 2019

The Fiscal Committee of the General Court met on Thursday, September 26, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 210-211 of the Legislative Office Building.

Members in attendance were as follows:

Representative Mary Jane Wallner, Chairman
Representative Ken Weyler
Representative Susan Ford
Representative Lynne Ober
Representative Peter Leishman
Representative David Huot (Alternate)
Representative Patricia Lovejoy (Alternate)
Representative Erin Hennessey (Alternate)
Senator Lou D'Allesandro
Senate President Donna Soucy
Senator Regina Birdsell (Alternate)
Senator Jay Kahn
Senator Cindy Rosenwald

Chairman Wallner opened the meeting at 10:08 a.m.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

On a motion by Senator Soucy, seconded by Senator Kahn, that the minutes of the August 28, 2019 meeting be accepted as written. MOTION ADOPTED. (9-Yes, 1-Abstained)

OLD BUSINESS:

FIS 19-071 NH Business Finance Authority – pursuant to RSA 162-T:5, Informational status report pertaining to the Regenerative Workforce Development Program. Held for future discussion 03/08/19. No Action Taken.

NEW BUSINESS:

RSA 9:16-a, TRANSFERS AUTHORIZED AND RSA 14:30-a, VI FISCAL COMMITTEE APPROVAL REQUIRED FOR ACCEPTANCE AND EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS OVER \$100,000 FROM ANY NON-STATE SOURCE [TAB 3]; AND RSA 215-A:23, IX AND RSA 215-C:39, X REGISTRATION FEES, AND RSA 124:15 POSITIONS AUTHORIZED [TAB 4]; AND CHAPTER 145, LAWS OF 2019, (CONTINUING RESOLUTION) [TAB 5]:

CONSENT CALENDAR

On a motion by Representative Weyler, seconded by Representative Ober, that the Committee approve as a block the six (6) requests under Tabs 3, 4 and 5 as submitted. MOTION ADOPTED. [FIS 19-275 Department of Health and Human Services – authorization to transfer \$1,458,483 in general funds between various class lines and increase federal revenues in the amount of \$711,109 through September 30, 2019, FIS 19-272 New Hampshire Fish and Game Department – authorization to retroactively amend FIS 18-006 (approved January 19, 2018) for the period of July 1, 2019 through September 30, 2019 by; 1) extending the original transfer end date from June 30, 2019 to September 30, 2019, and by adding an additional transfer of \$17,797 of unexpended funds from Excess Registration Fees to the Fish and Game OHRV Fiscal Year 2020 Continuing Resolution Operating Budget, and 2) contingent upon approval of Request #1, extending the end date of one (1) Conservation Officer Trainee (LG 16) for the from June 30, 2019 to September 30, 2019, FIS 19-271 New Hampshire Fish and Game Department – authorization to exceed the 3/12 limitation of said resolution in the total amount of \$20,009 in federal/other/fish and game funds to the extent shown as projected deficits through September 30, 2019, FIS 19-273 Department of Transportation – authorization to exceed the 3/12 limitation of said resolution in the total amount of \$80,800 in highway/federal/other funds to the extent shown as projected deficits through September 30, 2019, FIS 19-274 Department of Health and Human Services – authorization to exceed the 3/12 limitation of said resolution in the total amount of \$915,223 in general/federal/other funds to the extent shown as projected deficits through September 30, 2019, and FIS 19-276 New Hampshire Veterans Home – authorization to exceed the 3/12 limitation of said resolution in the total amount of \$77,856 in general/federal/other funds to the extent shown as projected deficits through September 30, 2019]

MISCELLANEOUS:

Office of Legislative Budget Assistant – Christopher Shea, Deputy Legislative Budget Assistant, requested approval to fill three (3) vacant auditor positions in the Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, Audit Division.

On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Senator D’Allesandro, that the Committee approve the request of the Office of Legislative Budget Assistant to fill three (3) vacant auditor positions in the Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, Audit Division. MOTION ADOPTED.

INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS:

FIS 19-269 Department of Health and Human Services – Kerrin Rounds, Chief Financial Officer, Department of Health and Human Services responded to questions of the Committee regarding the informational item pertaining to the five (5) items, FIS 19-152/19-266, FIS 19-184/19-263, FIS 19-162/19-260, FIS 19-146/19-264, and FIS 19-161/19-261, approved as pro-rata at the Fiscal Committee meetings on July 25, 2019 and August 28, 2019, respectively.

The informational items were accepted and placed on file.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT:

The next regular meeting of the Fiscal Committee was scheduled for Friday, November 8, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. (Whereupon the meeting adjourned at 10:14 a.m.)



Representative Ken Weyler, Clerk