

FISCAL COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL COURT  
MINUTES  
April 20, 2018

The Fiscal Committee of the General Court met on Friday, April 20, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 210-211 of the Legislative Office Building.

Members in attendance were as follows:

Representative Neal Kurk, Chairman  
Representative Ken Weyler  
Representative Lynne Ober  
Representative Mary Jane Wallner  
Representative Daniel Eaton  
Representative Frank Byron (Alternate)  
Senator Gary Daniels  
Senator Bob Giuda  
Senator Lou D'Allesandro  
Senator Andy Sanborn

Chairman Kurk opened the meeting at 10:01 a.m.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

On a motion by Senator Daniels, seconded by Representative Weyler, that the minutes of the March 16, 2018 and March 20, 2018 meetings be accepted as written. MOTION ADOPTED.

NEW BUSINESS:

RSA 14:30-a, VI FISCAL COMMITTEE APPROVAL REQUIRED FOR ACCEPTANCE AND EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS OVER \$100,000 FROM ANY NON-STATE SOURCE:  
CONSENT CALENDAR

On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Senator Daniels, that the Committee approve the requests under this section as submitted. MOTION ADOPTED. [FIS 18-060 Department of Transportation – authorization to accept and expend \$138,329 in federal funds through June 30, 2019, FIS 18-063 Department of Environmental Services – authorization to amend FIS 16-041, approved March 18, 2016, by retroactively extending the end date from June 30, 2017 to September 30, 2018, with no increase in funding, FIS 18-064 Department of Safety – authorization to accept and expend \$405,434 in other funds through September 30, 2018, FIS 18-065 Department of Safety – authorization to amend FIS 17-128, approved August 25, 2017, by reallocating \$11,890 in federal grant funds through September 5, 2018, and FIS 18-075 Department of Safety – authorization to accept and expend \$167,906 in other funds through September 30, 2018]

RSA 14:30-a, VI FISCAL COMMITTEE APPROVAL REQUIRED FOR ACCEPTANCE AND EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS OVER \$100,000 FROM ANY NON-STATE SOURCE AND RSA 9:16-a, TRANSFERS AUTHORIZED:

CONSENT CALENDAR

At the request of Senator Sanborn, FIS 18-074 Department of Health and Human Services was removed from the Consent Calendar.

FIS 18-074 Department of Health and Human Services – Kerrin Rounds, Chief Financial Officer, Christine Santaniello, Controller, Division of Developmental Services, and Athena Gagnon, Administrator, Department of Health and Human Services presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator D’Allesandro, seconded by Representative Wallner, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Health and Human Services through June 30, 2018 to; 1) accept and expend \$3,500,000 in other funds, and 2) transfer \$3,500,000 in general funds, and contingent upon approval of request #2, 3) accept and expend \$750,750 in additional federal funds. MOTION ADOPTED. (7-Yes, 2-No)

RSA 14:30-a, VI FISCAL COMMITTEE APPROVAL REQUIRED FOR ACCEPTANCE AND EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS OVER \$100,000 FROM ANY NON-STATE SOURCE AND RSA 124:15 POSITIONS AUTHORIZED:

CONSENT CALENDAR

At the request of Senator Sanborn, FIS 18-066 Department of Safety was removed from the Consent Calendar.

FIS 18-066 Department of Safety – Steven Lavoie, Director of Administration, and Perry Plummer, Director of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Department of Safety, presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Weyler, seconded by Senator D’Allesandro, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Safety through June 30, 2019 to; 1) accept and expend \$16,696,858 in federal funds, and contingent upon approval of request #1, 2) establish one (1) temporary full-time Program Planner II (LG 21) position. MOTION ADOPTED.

RSA 198:15-y, III, PUBLIC SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND:

FIS 18-078 Office of The Governor – Perry Plummer, Director of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Department of Safety, and Amy Clark, Rehabilitation Counselor, Department of Education, presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Sanborn, seconded by Representative Ober, that the Committee approve the request of the Office of The Governor for approval to authorize general fund expenditures from the Public School Infrastructure Fund in the amount of \$4,946,214 through June 30, 2019. MOTION ADOPTED.

The Committee requested a breakdown on what Public School Infrastructure funds are spent for safety projects and ancillary projects.

RSA 227-G:5, I(b) FOREST FUNDS AND RSA 124:15 POSITIONS AUTHORIZED:

FIS 18-067 Department of Natural and Cultural Resources – On a motion by Senator D’Allesandro, seconded by Representative Weyler, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources through June 30, 2019 to; 1) budget and expend \$17,000 in other funds, and 2) establish two (2) temporary part-time Labor Technician positions. MOTION ADOPTED.

RSA 604-A: 1-b, ADDITIONAL FUNDING:

FIS 18-079 Judicial Council – On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Senator D’Allesandro, that the Committee approve the request of the Judicial Council to receive an additional appropriation from funds not otherwise appropriated in the amount of \$685,000 in general funds through June 30, 2018. MOTION ADOPTED.

CHAPTER 155, LAWS OF 2017, DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS; BUDGET FOOTNOTE:

FIS 18-068 Department of Corrections – Helen Hanks, Commissioner, and Robin Maddaus, Director of Administration, Department of Corrections, responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Senator D’Allesandro, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Corrections for a 100% General Fund appropriation for an additional \$211,144 for medical payments to providers to cover projected shortfalls for the remainder of State Fiscal Year 2018. MOTION ADOPTED.

FIS 18-073 Department of Corrections – Helen Hanks, Commissioner, and Robin Maddaus, Director of Administration, Department of Corrections, responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Weyler, seconded by Senator Giuda, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Corrections for a 100% General Fund appropriation for an additional \$1,045,334 for prescription drug expenses to cover projected shortfalls for the remainder of State Fiscal Year 2018. MOTION ADOPTED.

CHAPTER 156:183, LAWS OF 2017, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES; UNFUNDED POSITIONS; AUTHORIZATION:

FIS 18-069 Department of Health and Human Services – Kerrin Rounds, Chief Financial Officer, Department of Health and Human Services, presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator D’Allesandro, seconded by Representative Weyler, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Health and Human Services to fill one (1) unfunded position effective upon Fiscal Committee approval through the biennium ending June 30, 2019. MOTION ADOPTED.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Office of Legislative Budget Assistant – Michael Kane, Legislative Budget Assistant, requested approval to fill one (1) vacant financial auditor position in the Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, Audit Division.

On a motion by Representative Eaton, seconded by Senator Sanborn, that the Committee approve the request of the Office of Legislative Budget Assistant to fill one (1) vacant financial auditor position in the Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, Audit Division. MOTION ADOPTED.

INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS:

FIS 18-061 Department of Health and Human Services – RSA 126-A:5, XIX, – Kerrin Rounds, Chief Financial Officer, and Christine Santaniello, Controller, Division of Developmental Services, Department of Health and Human Services presented the report and responded to questions of the Committee regarding the Implementation Plan for Medicaid Care Management – Nursing Facility/Choices for Independence Services, dated March 9, 2018.

FIS 18-071 Department of Health and Human Services – Kerrin Rounds, Chief Financial Officer, and Athena Gagnon, Administrator, Department of Health and Human Services presented the report and respond to questions of the Committee regarding the Monthly Operating Statistics Dashboard SFY18 report through February 28, 2018.

FIS 18-076 Department of Administrative Services – Chapter 319:32, Laws of 2003 – Charles Arlinghaus, Commissioner, Catherine Keane, Deputy Commissioner, and Sarah Trask, Administrator, Bureau of Risk and Benefit Management Services, Department of Administrative Services responded to questions of the Committee regarding the State Employee Health Insurance Report on the self-funded health benefits program from July 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018.

FIS 18-072 Office of Professional Licensure and Certification – Michelle Ricco Jonas, Program Manager, Prescription Drug Monitoring Program, and Michael Bullek, Administrator, Chief of Compliance, Board of Pharmacy, Office of Professional Licensure and Certification respond to questions of the Committee regarding the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program

Corrective Action Plan as submitted by the Board of Pharmacy, for the period of February 23, 2018 – March 29, 2018.

The Committee suggested the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification, as part of their strategic planning process at the end of June, meet with Representatives Ober and Eaton to initiate discussion on future legislation.

The informational items were accepted and placed on file.

AUDITS:

State of New Hampshire, Single Audit of Federal Financial Assistance Programs, For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017 – Stephen Smith, Director of Audits, Audit Division, Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, Jayme Silva, KPMG Partner, and Karen Farrell, KPMG Senior Manager, presented the report and responded to questions of the Committee. Charles Arlinghaus, Commissioner, and Dana Call, State Comptroller, Department of Administrative Services, were also present to respond to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Weyler, seconded by Representative Ober, that the report be accepted, placed on file, and released in the usual manner. MOTION ADOPTED.

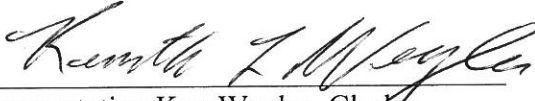
State of New Hampshire, Management Letter, For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017 – Stephen Smith, Director of Audits, Audit Division, Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, Marie Zimmerman, KPMG Partner, and Beth Clague, KPMG Senior Manager, presented the report and responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Weyler, seconded by Representative Ober, that the report be accepted, placed on file, and released in the usual manner. MOTION ADOPTED.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT:

The next meeting of the Fiscal Committee was previously set for Friday, May 18, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

  
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Representative Ken Weyler, Clerk