

FISCAL COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL COURT
MINUTES
July 29, 2015

The Fiscal Committee of the General Court met on Wednesday, July 29, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 210-211 of the Legislative Office Building.

Members in attendance were as follows:

Representative Neal Kurk, Chair
Representative Ken Weyler
Representative Lynne Ober
Representative Mary Jane Wallner
Representative Daniel Eaton
Representative Richard Barry (Alternate)
Senator Jeanie Forrester
Senate President Chuck Morse
Senator Gerald Little
Senator Andy Sanborn
Senator Lou D'Allesandro

Chairman Kurk opened the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

Chairman Kurk announced that the State of New Hampshire, Department of Health and Human Services, Food Protection Section, Performance Audit Report, July 2015 would be postponed until the August 26, 2015 meeting, and further announced that all items on the Consent Calendar would be removed and voted on individually.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

On a motion by Senator Sanborn, seconded by Representative Ober, that the minutes of the June 26, 2015 meeting be accepted as written. MOTION ADOPTED.

NEW BUSINESS:

RSA 9:16-a. TRANSFERS AUTHORIZED:

CONSENT CALENDAR

FIS 15-136 Department of Resources and Economic Development – On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Senator Forrester, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Resources and Economic Development to transfer \$375,000 in general funds through December 31, 2015. MOTION ADOPTED.

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:

CONSENT CALENDAR

FIS 15-120 Department of Health and Human Services – Nicholas Toumpas, Commissioner, Department of Health and Human Services, responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator D’Allesandro, seconded by Senator Sanborn, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Health and Human Services to transfer \$67,977,420 in general funds, increase related federal revenues in the amount of \$124,150 and increase related other revenues in the amount of \$34,328 through December 31, 2015. MOTION ADOPTED.

The Department will follow-up for the August meeting with exact numbers for Medicaid Managed Care in response to questions of the Committee.

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

FIS 15-113 Department of Justice – On a motion by Representative Eaton, seconded by Senator Sanborn, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Justice to retroactively amend FIS 14-176, approved November 10, 2014, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015, with no increase in funding. MOTION ADOPTED

FIS 15-115 Department of Justice – On a motion by Senator D’Allesandro, seconded by Representative Eaton, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Justice to retroactively amend FIS 14-186, approved November 10, 2014, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015, with no increase in funding. MOTION ADOPTED.

FIS 15-116 Department of Justice – On a motion by Representative Weyler, seconded by Senator Sanborn, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Justice to retroactively amend FIS 14-143, approved September 26, 2014, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015, with no increase in funding. MOTION ADOPTED.

FIS 15-121 Department of Health and Human Services – Nicholas Toumpas, Commissioner, Department of Health and Human Services, presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee. Jeffry Pattison, Legislative Budget Assistant, was also present to clarify the request and respond to questions of the Committee.

A recess was called at 10:55 a.m., and the Committee reconvened at 11:14 a.m.

On a motion by Senator Morse, seconded by Representative Eaton, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Health and Human Services to retroactively amend FIS

13-294, approved January 10, 2014, by reallocating \$105,963 in federal funds and extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015, with no increase in funding. MOTION ADOPTED.

FIS 15-122 Department of Health and Human Services – Nicholas Toumpas, Commissioner, Department of Health and Human Services, responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Sanborn, seconded by Senator Morse, that the Committee table the request of the Department of Health and Human Services to accept and expend \$219,342 in federal funds retroactive to July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. MOTION ADOPTED.

FIS 15-123 Department of Health and Human Services – Nicholas Toumpas, Commissioner, Department of Health and Human Services, responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Forrester, seconded by Senator Morse, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Health and Human Services to accept and expend \$1,636,364 in federal funds retroactive to July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. MOTION ADOPTED. (9-Yes, 1-No)

FIS 15-124 Department of Health and Human Services – Nicholas Toumpas, Commissioner, Department of Health and Human Services, responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Sanborn, seconded by Representative Ober, that the Committee table the request of the Department of Health and Human Services to accept and expend \$127,089 in federal funds retroactive to July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. MOTION ADOPTED.

FIS 15-125 Department of Health and Human Services – Nicholas Toumpas, Commissioner, Department of Health and Human Services, responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Sanborn, seconded by Representative Weyler, that the Committee table the request of the Department of Health and Human Services to accept and expend \$158,196 in federal funds retroactive to July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. MOTION ADOPTED.

FIS 15-129 Department of Justice – On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Senator Sanborn, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Justice to retroactively amend FIS 14-177, approved November 10, 2014, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015, with no increase in funding. MOTION ADOPTED.

FIS 15-131 Department of Safety – On a motion by Senator D’Allesandro, seconded by Senator Sanborn, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Safety to retroactively amend FIS 13-236, approved October 18, 2013, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to September 30, 2015, with no increase in funding. MOTION ADOPTED.

FIS 15-139 Department of Health and Human Services – Nicholas Toumpas, Commissioner, Department of Health and Human Services presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Forrester, seconded by Representative Eaton, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Health and Human Services to accept and expend \$2,500,000 in federal funds through September 30, 2015. MOTION ADOPTED.

The Department will provide an informational item as requested by the Committee listing the expected outcomes by program for the requested expenditure.

FIS 15-145 Department of Transportation – Patrick McKenna, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Transportation, responded to questions of the Committee.

Committee withheld action on the request, to budget and expend \$659,000 in federal funds through December 31, 2015, in order to allow verification of additional information.

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

FIS 15-114 Department of Justice – Ann Rice, Deputy Attorney General, and Kathleen Carr, Director of Administration, Department of Justice, responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Senator Forrester, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Justice to accept and expend \$106,177 in federal funds through December 31, 2015 and further authorization to establish a class 046 consultant position through December 31, 2015. MOTION ADOPTED.

FIS 15-117 Department of Environmental Services – On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Senator D’Allesandro, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Environmental Services to retroactively amend FIS 13-246, approved November 22, 2013, by; 1) extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015, with no increase in funding, for the purpose of implementing the MTBE Settlement Agreements, and 2) retroactively extend the end date for five (5) existing full-time temporary positions consisting of; an Administrator IV (LG 33), an Administrator III (LG 31), a Civil Engineer VI (LG 32), and two (2) Environmentalist IV (LG 27) positions from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015, and further

authorization to 3) reallocate \$1,579,195 in MTBE Settlement funds through December 31, 2015. MOTION ADOPTED.

FIS 15-126 Department of Health and Human Services – Nicholas Toumpas, Commissioner, Department of Health and Human Services responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Forrester, seconded by Senator Sanborn, that the Committee table the request of the Department of Health and Human Services to; 1) accept and expend \$590,182 in federal funds retroactive to July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 and contingent upon approval of #1, further authorization to 2) establish five (5) full-time temporary positions through December 31, 2015 consisting of; a Toxicologist IV (LG 29), a Toxicologist II (LG 23), a Public Health Program Manager (LG 26), a Program Specialist IV (LG 25), and a Toxicologist II (LG 23). MOTION ADOPTED. (8-Yes, 2-No)

FIS 15-132 Department of Safety – Elizabeth Bielecki, Director of Administration, and John Stevens, Statewide Interoperability Coordinator, Department of Safety, responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Forrester, seconded by Senator Sanborn, that the Committee table the request of the Department of Safety to; 1) accept and expend \$870,841 in federal funds through December 31, 2015, and 2) establish class 046 consultant positions through December 31, 2015. MOTION ADOPTED. (7-Yes, 3-No)

FIS 15-133 Department of Safety – Elizabeth Bielecki, Director of Administration, Department of Safety, responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Forrester, seconded by Representative Eaton, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Safety to retroactively amend FIS 14-203, approved January 23, 2015, by; 1) extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to September 30, 2015, with no increase in funding, and 2) extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to September 30, 2015, with no increase in funding, for a consultant position. MOTION ADOPTED.

FIS 15-134 Department of Safety – On a motion by Senator Forrester, seconded by Representative Eaton, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Safety to retroactively amend FIS 15-032, approved April 3, 2015, by; 1) extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to September 30, 2015, with no increase in funding, and 2) extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to September 30, 2015, with no increase in funding, for consultant positions. MOTION ADOPTED.

FIS 15-137 Board of Pharmacy – On a motion by Senator Forrester, seconded by Senator Sanborn, that the Committee approve the request of the Board of Pharmacy to retroactively amend FIS 14-015, approved February 14, 2014, and subsequently amended on April 3, 2015 (FIS 15-045), by; 1) extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015, with no increase in funding, and 2) retroactively extend the end date for a full-time temporary

Administrator I (LG 27) position from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015, and 3) retroactively extend the end date for a part-time temporary Administrator I (LG 27) position from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015. MOTION ADOPTED.

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

FIS 15-145 Department of Transportation – Jeffrey Pattison, Legislative Budget Assistant, presented the additional information requested by the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Little, seconded by Senator Sanborn, that the Committee table the request of the Department of Transportation to budget and expend \$659,000 in federal funds through December 31, 2015. MOTION ADOPTED. (7-Yes, 3-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

FIS 15-138 Department of Cultural Resources – Kathleen Stanick, Administrator, Department of Cultural Resources, 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 Cultural Resources to 1) accept and expend \$594,691 in federal funds retroactive to July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015, and 2) retroactively amend FIS 14-029, approved March 21, 2014, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 for one (1) part-time temporary Grants Program Coordinator (LG 23) and two (2) part-time temporary Program Specialists I (LG 19) positions. No Action Taken.

On a motion by Senator Sanborn, seconded by Senator Little, that the Committee table the request of the Department of Cultural Resources to 1) accept and expend \$594,691 in federal funds retroactive to July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015, and 2) retroactively amend FIS 14-029, approved March 21, 2014, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 for one (1) part-time temporary Grants Program Coordinator (LG 23) and two (2) part-time temporary Program Specialists I (LG 19) positions. MOTION FAILED. (3-Yes, 7-No)

On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Senator D’Allesandro, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Cultural Resources to 1) accept and expend \$594,691 in federal funds retroactive to July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015, and 2) retroactively amend FIS 14-029, approved March 21, 2014, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 for one (1) part-time temporary Grants Program Coordinator (LG 23) and two (2) part-time temporary Program Specialists I (LG 19) positions. MOTION ADOPTED. (7-Yes, 3-No)

FIS 15-141 Department of Education – Shanthi Venkatesan, Executive Project Manager, and Mary Steady, Administrator, Department of Education, presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee. Vicki Quiram, Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services was also present to respond to questions of the Committee.

The Committee withheld action on the request, to 1) accept and expend \$1,084,997 in federal funds retroactive to July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015, and 2) retroactively amend FIS 15-033, approved April 3, 2015, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 for two (2) full-time temporary positions consisting of: a Program Specialist III (LG 23) position and a Program Assistant II (LG 15) position, in order to allow the Department of Administrative Services to verify when the requested positions had been filled.

FIS 15-143 Department of Education – Shanthi Venkatesan, Executive Project Manager, Department of Education, responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Eaton, seconded by Senator D’Allesandro, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Education to; 1) accept and expend \$1,586,127 in federal funds retroactive to July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015, and 2) retroactively amend FIS 14-026, approved March 21, 2014, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 for three (3) full-time temporary positions consisting of; an Administrator II (LG 29), a Program Specialist III (LG 23), and a Program Assistant II (LG 15), and further authorization to 3) retroactively amend FIS 14-026, approved March 21, 2014, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 for one (1) part-time temporary Program Specialist III (LG 23) position. No Action Taken.

On a motion by Senator Sanborn, seconded by Representative Weyler, that the Committee table the request of the Department of Education to; 1) accept and expend \$1,586,127 in federal funds retroactive to July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015, and 2) retroactively amend FIS 14-026, approved March 21, 2014, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 for three (3) full-time temporary positions consisting of; an Administrator II (LG 29), a Program Specialist III (LG 23), and a Program Assistant II (LG 15), and further authorization to 3) retroactively amend FIS 14-026, approved March 21, 2014, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 for one (1) part-time temporary Program Specialist III (LG 23) position. MOTION FAILED. (3-Yes, 7-No)

On a motion by Representative Eaton, seconded by Senator D’Allesandro, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Education to; 1) accept and expend \$1,586,127 in federal funds retroactive to July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015, and 2) retroactively amend FIS 14-026, approved March 21, 2014, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 for three (3) full-time temporary positions consisting of; an Administrator II (LG 29), a Program Specialist III (LG 23), and a Program Assistant II (LG 15), and further authorization to 3) retroactively amend FIS 14-026, approved March 21, 2014, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 for one (1) part-time temporary Program Specialist III (LG 23) position. MOTION ADOPTED. (7-Yes, 3-No)

FIS 15-144 Department of Safety – On a motion by Representative Eaton, seconded by Senator Sanborn, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Safety to retroactively amend FIS 14-152, approved September 26, 2014, by; 1) extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015, with no increase in funding, and 2) extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015, with no increase in funding, for a class 046 consultant position. MOTION ADOPTED.

FIS 15-152 Office of The Governor – Meredith Telus, Budget Director, and John Wozmak, Senior Director for Substance Misuse and Behavioral Health, Office of the Governor, responded to questions of the Committee. Nicholas Toumpas, Commissioner, Department of Health and Human Services was also present to respond to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Forrester, seconded by Senator D'Allesandro, that the Committee approve the request of the Office of The Governor to; 1) accept and expend \$112,500 in other funds retroactive to July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015, and contingent upon approval of #1, further authorization to 2) retroactively amend FIS 14-196, approved November 24, 2014, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 to continue a non-classified Senior Behavioral Health Coordinator position. MOTION ADOPTED. (9-Yes, 1-No)

The Committee requested the Senior Director for Substance Misuse and Behavioral Health provide prioritized recommendations, including dollar amounts and specified outcomes.

A recess was called at 1:44 p.m. and the Committee reconvened at 1:56 p.m.

FIS 15-153, FIS 15-154, and FIS 15-155 New Hampshire Insurance Department – Committee action was withheld on the three (3) New Hampshire Insurance Department requests to allow a representative from the agency to be present to respond to questions of the Committee.

RSA 124:15, POSITIONS AUTHORIZED:

CONSENT CALENDAR

FIS 15-118 Department of Justice – Ann Rice, Deputy Attorney General, and Kathleen Carr, Director of Administration, Department of Justice, 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 Justice to retroactively amend FIS 15-006, approved January 23, 2015, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 for a part-time temporary Program Specialist IV (LG 24) position. MOTION ADOPTED.

FIS 15-128 Department of Justice – Ann Rice, Deputy Attorney General, and Kathleen Carr, Director of Administration, Department of Justice, responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Representative Eaton, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Justice to retroactively amend FIS 14-027, approved March 21, 2015, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 for a full-time temporary Paralegal II (LG 19) position. No Action Taken.

On a motion by Senator Sanborn, seconded by Representative Weyler, that the Committee table the request of the Department of Justice to retroactively amend FIS 14-027, approved March 21, 2015, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 for a full-time temporary Paralegal II (LG 19) position. MOTION FAILED. (2-Yes, 8-No)

On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Representative Eaton, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Justice to retroactively amend FIS 14-027, approved March 21, 2015, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 for a full-time temporary Paralegal II (LG 19) position. MOTION ADOPTED. (8-Yes, 2-No)

FIS 15-130 Department of Justice – Ann Rice, Deputy Attorney General, and Kathleen Carr, Director of Administration, Department of Justice, responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Eaton, seconded by Senator Sanborn, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Justice to retroactively amend FIS 14-057, approved April 25, 2014, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 for a full-time temporary Attorney II (LG 28) position. MOTION ADOPTED.

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

FIS 15-141 Department of Education – Shanthi Venkatesan, Executive Project Manager, Department of Education, responded to questions of the Committee and reported the position hire dates verified by Vicki Quiram, Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services.

On a motion by Representative Eaton, seconded by Senator D'Allesandro, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Education to 1) accept and expend \$1,084,997 in federal funds retroactive to July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015, and 2) retroactively amend FIS 15-033, approved April 3, 2015, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 for two (2) full-time temporary positions consisting of: a Program Specialist III (LG 23) position and a Program Assistant II (LG 15) position. MOTION ADOPTED. (7-Yes, 3-No)

RSA 124:15, POSITIONS AUTHORIZED:

CONSENT CALENDAR

FIS 15-142 Department of Education – Shanthi Venkatesan, Executive Project Manager, Department of Education, responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Forrester, seconded by Senator Sanborn, that the Committee table the request of the Department of Education to retroactively amend FIS 15-060, approve April 3, 2015, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 for a class 046 consultant position. MOTION ADOPTED. (7-Yes, 3-No)

FIS 15-151 Department of Transportation – On a motion by Senator Sanborn, seconded by Representative Weyler, that the Committee table the request of the Department of Transportation to establish consultant positions through December 31, 2015. MOTION ADOPTED. (7-Yes, 3-No)

CHAPTER 158, SUB-PARAGRAPH I, (a), LAWS OF 2015, MAKING TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENSES AND ENCUMBRANCES OF THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE:

FIS 15-149 Department of Transportation – Patrick McKenna, Deputy Commissioner, Marie Mullen, Director of Finance, and William Janelle, Director of Operations, Department of Transportation presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Little, seconded by Representative Weyler, that the Committee deny the request of the Department of Transportation to exceed the 6/12 limitation, as contained in the continuing resolution, in the amount of \$674,000 to the extent shown as projected deficits through December 31, 2015. MOTION ADOPTED. (7-Yes, 3-No)

FIS 15-150 Department of Transportation – Patrick McKenna, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Transportation responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Sanborn, seconded by Representative Weyler, that the Committee deny the request of the Department of Transportation to exceed the 6/12 limitation, as contained in the continuing resolution, in the amount of \$3,140,000 to the extent shown as projected deficits through December 31, 2015. No Action Taken.

On a motion by Senator Sanborn, seconded by Representative Weyler, that the Committee table the request of the Department of Transportation to exceed the 6/12 limitation, as contained in the continuing resolution, in the amount of \$3,140,000 to the extent shown as projected deficits through December 31, 2015. MOTION ADOPTED. (7-Yes, 3-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

FIS 15-153, FIS 15-154, and FIS 15-155 New Hampshire Insurance Department – Roger Sevigny, Commissioner, Theodore Perkins, Business Administrator, and Alain Couture, Health Reform Coordinator, New Hampshire Insurance Department were present to respond to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Eaton, seconded by Representative Weyler, that the Committee approve as a block the three (3) requests of the New Hampshire Insurance Department. MOTION ADOPTED. [FIS 15-153 New Hampshire Insurance Department – authorization to 1) accept and expend \$444,179 in federal funds retroactive to July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015, and further authorization to 2) retroactively amend FIS 14-174, approved November 10, 2014, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 for class 046 consultant positions, FIS 15-154 New Hampshire Insurance Department – authorization to 1) accept and expend \$1,055,985 in federal funds retroactive to July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015, and further authorization to 2) retroactively amend FIS 13-247, approved November 22, 2013, by extending the end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 for class 046 consultant positions, and FIS 15-155 New Hampshire Insurance Department – authorization to 1) accept and expend \$529,678 in federal funds retroactive to July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015, and further authorization to 2) retroactively establish a class 046 consultant positions from July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015]

CHAPTER 158, SUB-PARAGRAPH I, (a), LAWS OF 2015, AND CHAPTER 144:31, LAWS OF 2013, DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES; TRANSFER AMONG ACCOUNTS AND CLASSES:

FIS 15-148 Department of Administrative Services – On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Senator Forrester, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Administrative Services to transfer \$128,743 in and among accounting units through December 31, 2015. MOTION ADOPTED.

CHAPTER 158, SUB-PARAGRAPH I, (a), LAWS OF 2015 AND CHAPTER 144:95, LAWS OF 2013, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; TRANSFER OF FUNDS:

FIS 15-146 Department of Transportation – On a motion by Senator Forrester, seconded by Representative Ober, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Transportation to transfer \$508,200 in and among accounting units through December 31, 2015. MOTION ADOPTED.

FIS 15-147 Department of Transportation – On a motion by Senator Forrester, seconded by Representative Ober, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Transportation to establish a non-budgeted class and transfer \$2,366,534 in federal funds in and among accounting units through December 31, 2015. MOTION ADOPTED. (9-Yes, 1-No)

MISCELLANEOUS:

Jeffry Pattison, Legislative Budget Assistant, requested approval to fill one (1) vacant staff auditor position in the Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, Audit Division.


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

INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS:

Chairman Kurk announced that discussion on the informational items would be postponed until the August 26, 2015 meeting. [LBAO Report on Additional Revenues for the Biennium Ending June 30, 2015 – Fiscal Committee Approvals through June 26, 2015 (RSA 14:30-a, VI and Chapter 224:14, II, Laws of 2011), Letter from Jeffrey A. Pattison, Legislative Budget Assistant relative to a hiring, promotion or step increases granted to LBAO employees, FIS 15-110 Department of Administrative Services – response, dated June 29, 2015, to Fiscal Committee request for information regarding year end accrual entries, made in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) for the State's Medicaid program, FIS 15-111 Department of Administrative Services – memo, dated July 7, 2015, to all Commissioners, Department Heads, and Agency Budget Managers pertaining to managing their fiscal affairs within the funding authorized by continuing resolution, Chapter 158, Laws of 2015, FIS 15-112 Department of Health and Human Services – response, dated June 30, 2015, to Fiscal Committee request for a letter clarifying testimony made June 26, 2015 around the Monthly Dashboard, status of DHHS lapse, and the expected Medicaid liability, FIS 15-119 Department of Revenue Administration – RSA 21-J:45 – Quarterly Refund Report for the months of April through June 2015, FIS 15-127 Department of Health and Human Services – response, dated June 30, 2015, to Fiscal Committee request for information detailing the 2014 and 2015 Medicaid Enhanced Tax (MET) revenue amounts, and FIS 15-135 Department of Environmental Services – Chapter 280, Laws of 2012 – report, dated June 30, 2015, for expenses associated with the participation of department staff in regional discussions regarding a low carbon fuel standard for the period including January 1, 2015 to June 30, 2015]

DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meetings of the Fiscal Committee were previously set for 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, August 26, 2015, and Friday, September 25, 2015. (Whereupon the meeting adjourned at 2:58 p.m.)



Representative Ken Weyler, Clerk