# SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE BUDGET WORK SESSION

05/09/23

SENATE FINANCE - 2023 B	UDGET	<b>RECAP SHEET</b>			
Contact	SOF	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	Total
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SENATE FI	NANCE - 2023 BU	JDGET R	ECAP SHEET			
Department of Information Technology						
	Contact	SOF	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	Total
<ol> <li>Shared DoIT potion between Fish and Game and Veteran's Home to provide critical IT lead support. (Veterans Home budget item approved 05/03/23 and Fish &amp; Game budget item being heard today, 05/09/23. This is the corresponding line for DoIT.)</li> <li>(AU 7708, Class 040, 042 &amp; 060, Compare Page 67)</li> </ol>	Denis Goulet, Commissioner	Other	\$0	\$92,012	\$96,524	\$188,536
<ol> <li>Increase DoIT class 46 &amp; class 38 - Clean up language.</li> <li>Already budgeted in Dept of Agriculture, but corresponding line was missed in DoIT budget.</li> <li>(AU 7618, Compare Page 30)</li> </ol>		Other	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$500,000
Bills:	2200			No Sector		
None.						

SENATE FINANCE - 2023	BUDGET	RECAP SHEET	AN LANCE SERVICE		
Contact	SOF	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	Total
Michele E.					
LeBrun, Chair					
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Fish and Game Department					
	Contact	SOF	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
<ol> <li>Request to replace the Fish and Game Fund appropriation in HB 2, section 183 (page 65), with general funds, to cover the 10%/2% cost of living adjustment (COLA) attributable to Fish and Game Department employees.</li> </ol>		GF <u>F&amp;G</u> <b>TOT</b>	-	\$875,000 ( <u>\$875,000)</u> <b>\$0</b>	\$1,067,000 ( <u>\$1,067,000</u> <b>\$(</b>
2. Request continued funding for Alteration of Terrain (AOT) review program, which includes four (4) positions (began in FY 2022 with Federal ARPA funds). Federal funds are only available until December 2024 (general funds are requested for the remaining six months of the biennium).	Scott Mason	GF <u>FED</u> TOT	-	\$0 <u>\$396,101</u> <b>\$396,101</b>	\$193,148 <u>\$175,339</u> <b>\$368,48</b> 3
<ul> <li>3. Request funding for a Department of Information Technology (DoIT) position to be shared between the Fish and Game Department and the Veterans Home.</li> <li>(AU 2162, Class 027, Compare Page 705)</li> <li>This will also necessitate a change in the DoIT budget (corresponding increase in the Veterans Home budget approved by Senate Finance on 05/03/23).</li> </ul>	- Scott Mason, – Executive Director	F&G	-	\$46,006	\$48,262
<b>4.</b> Request to increase federal funds to align with revised contract estimates between the Department and the UNH Cooperative Extension in the Wildlife Program Management accounting unit. <b>(AU 2150, Class 304, Compare Page 721)</b>		FED	-	\$10,000	\$10,000
5. Add sections to HB 2 requiring both initial and renewal registration payments for off-highway recreational vehicles (OHRV) and snowmobiles be enabled online by September 1, 2025. (Amendment #2023-1646s)	Senator Bradley / Senator Rosenwald	N/A	-	-	-
Bills:					
None					

Sen. Bradley, Dist 3 Sen. Rosenwald, Dist 13 May 3, 2023 2023-1646s 05/10

## Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

Amend the bill by inserting the following new sections:
1 OHRVs; Online Payment of Fees. Amend RSA 215-A:45 to read as follows:
215-A:45 Online Payment of Fees. The executive director shall, no later than September 1,
2025, establish any procedures that may be necessary to enable the online payment of both initial
and renewal registration fees required or imposed under this chapter.
2 Snowmobiles; Online Payment of Fees. Amend RSA 215-C:59 to read as follows:
215-C:59 Online Payment of Fees. The executive director shall, no later than September 1, 2025,
establish any procedures that may be necessary to enable the online payment of both initial and
renewal registration fees required or imposed under this chapter.

2023-1646s

# AMENDED ANALYSIS

# Add:

1. Directs the fish and game department to enable online payment of OHRV and snowmobile initial and renewal registration fees by September 1, 2025.

SENATE FINANC	E - 2023 BUDGET	RECAP SI	HEET		BERK GUREN
University System of New Hampshire (USNH)					
	Contact	SOF	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
1. Reduce HB 1 block appropriation to \$95M per year (\$190M for the biennium)		GF	-	(\$200,000)	(\$6,200,000)
(AU 1855, Class 084, Compare Page 1548)	-				
<ol> <li>Delete HB 2 sections 6-7 (page 2), relative to an appropriation for the University of New Hamphire Interoperability Lab to analyze blockchain technology.</li> <li>(Amendment #2023-1637s)</li> </ol>	Senator Bradley	GF	(\$150,000)		
<b>3.</b> Add language from SB 154 to HB 2, relative to tuition waivers for children in guardianships after being in state foster care. <b>(Amendent #2023-1632s)</b>		N/A	-	-	-
<u>Bills:</u>					
None				,	

Sen. Bradley, Dist 3 May 3, 2023 2023-1637s 05/07

# Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

- 1 Amend the bill by deleting sections 6 and 7, making an appropriation to the UNH interoperability
- 2 lab.

Sen. Bradley, Dist 3 May 3, 2023 2023-1632s 07/10

# Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

1	Insert the following new section:
2	
3	1 State College and University System; Finances; Tuition Waiver for Children in State Foster
4	Care or Guardianship. Amend RSA 187-A:20-b to read as follows:
5	187-A:20-b Tuition Waiver for Children in State Foster Care or Guardianship or
6	Guardianship After Being in State Foster Care.
7	I. An eligible individual who enrolls full-time or part-time, with the approval of the division
8	for children, youth and families, in a program leading to a certificate, associate, or bachelor degree at
9	any public postsecondary institution within the state shall not be required to pay tuition or
10	mandatory fees for attendance at such institution.
11	II. In this section, an eligible individual is a person who is less than [23] $26$ years of age and
12	who is or was:
13	(a) In state foster care for the immediate 6-month period prior to his or her 18th
14	birthday;
15	(b) In state guardianship or custody at the time of his or her 18th birthday;
16	(c) In guardianship, after being in state foster care or guardianship, at the time
17	of their 18th birthday;
18	(d) In placement out-of-state, through the interstate compact for the placement
19	of children, at the time of their 18th birthday;
20	[(c)] (c) Adopted while in state guardianship or adopted from the care, custody, and
21	control of the department following a surrender or termination of parental rights; or
22	[(d)] (f) In an out-of-home placement under the supervision of the division for juvenile
23	justice services at the time of his or her 18th birthday.
24	III.(a) Eligible individuals interested in a tuition waiver shall annually apply on forms
25	provided and within the deadlines established by the university system of New Hampshire and the
26	community college system of New Hampshire for their respective institutions. [No more than 15
27	tuition waivers per year shall be granted by the university system of New Hampshire and no-more
28	than 15 tuition waivers per year shall be granted by the community college system of New
29	Hampshire.] In any year, no more than 70 tuition waivers shall be granted by the university
30	and community college systems of New Hampshire. Of these 70 tuition waivers, 35 shall be
31	allocated to the university system and 35 shall be allocated to the community college
32	system. The university system of New Hampshire and the community college system of New

Hampshire shall have the authority to develop eligibility criteria for their respective institutions designed to give the children with the greatest financial need first priority in the tuition waiver program. Such eligibility criteria shall also include provisions for continuing eligibility based on continued full-time or part-time, with the approval of the division for children, youth and families, enrollment and satisfactory academic progress as defined by the institution.

6 IV. An eligible individual may also apply for a room and board scholarship under the 7 provisions of RSA 187-A:20-a, II without having to comply with the provisions of RSA 187-A:20-a, I. 05/09/23

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Community College System of New Hampshire (CCSNH)	Contact	SOF	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
1. Reduce Dual and Concurrent Enrollment Program	contact	501	TTEOLS	TTEOLT	112025
appropriation in HB 2, section 5 (page 1), from \$3.25M per year					
to \$2.5M per year, and the cap on number of courses from five		GF	-	(\$750,000)	(\$750,000
(5) to four (4).					(( )
(Amendment #2023-1666s)					
2. Delete section 383 from HB 2 (page 117), relative to an					
appropriation for the New Hampshire Promise Program.	Constan Dus diau	GF	-	(\$3,000,000)	(\$3,000,000
(Amendment #2023-1640s)	Senator Bradley				
<ol><li>Add language from SB 153 to HB 2, establishing a law</li></ol>					
enforcement officers, professional firefighters, and emergency			\$1,000,000	\$0	Şi
medical technicians career development, recruitment, and		GF			
retention program. Provides appropriation of \$1.0M (\$125K		Ű,			ΨC
Fire Academy).					
(Amendment #2023-1658s)					
4. Add language from SB 153 to HB 2, establishing a law					
enforcement officers, professional firefighters, and emergency	Senator Watters		GF \$0	\$1,000,000	\$0
medical technicians career development, recruitment, and	/ Senator	GF			
retention program. Provides appropriation of \$1.0M (\$100K	Bradley				
Fire Academy).					
(Amendment #2023-1689s)					
5. Add language from SB 153 to HB 2, establishing a law					
enforcement officers, professional firefighters, and emergency	Senator	GF -			
medical technicians career development, recruitment, and	Rosenwald		-	\$2,000,000	\$0
retention program. Provides appropriation of \$2.0M.	Rosenward				
(Amendment #2023-1383s)					
Bills:					
SB 237 (Tabled in Senate) - Relative to the child care scholarshi	program and ma	king an a	ppropriation ther	efor.	
This bill includes general fund appropriations of \$1.25M in each					olarships and
program support for early childhood education programs.					

Sen. Bradley, Dist 3 May 4, 2023 2023-1666s 10/08

#### Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

1 Amend the bill by replacing sections 4 and 5 with the following:

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4 Regional Career and Technical Education; Dual and Concurrent Enrollment Program. Amend
4 RSA 188-E:27, II to read as follows:

5 II. A student in the program shall be provided funding for enrollment in no more than [2] 4 6 dual or concurrent enrollment courses taken in grade 10, no more than [2] 4 dual or concurrent 7 enrollment courses taken in grade 11, and no more than [2] 4 dual or concurrent enrollment courses 8 taken in grade 12. A student may take more than [2] 4 dual or concurrent enrollment courses per 9 year at his or her own expense.

5 Dual and Concurrent Enrollment Program; Appropriation. The sums of \$2,500,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, and \$2,500,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, are hereby appropriated to community college system of New Hampshire for the purpose of providing scholarships and program support for the dual and concurrent enrollment program under RSA 188-E:26. This appropriation shall be in addition to any other funds appropriated to the community college system of New Hampshire. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for said sums out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated. Said appropriation shall not lapse.

#### 2023-1666s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

Keep:

3. Broadens the community college system of New Hampshire's dual and concurrent enrollment program and makes an appropriation therefor.

Sen. Bradley, Dist 3 May 3, 2023 2023-1640s 02/10

## Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

# 1 Amend the bill by deleting section 383, relative to the New Hampshire promise program.

2023-1640s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

Delete:

117. Makes an appropriation to the community college system of New Hampshire for the implementation of the New Hampshire promise program.

Sen. Bradley, Dist 3 May 4, 2023 2023-1658s 06/10

# Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

1	Amend the bill by inserting the following new sections:
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3	1 New Subdivision; Law Enforcement Officers, Professional Firefighters, and Emergency
4	Medical Technicians Career Development, Recruitment, and Retention Program. Amend RSA 188-F
5	by inserting after section 69 the following new subdivision:
6	Law Enforcement Officers, Professional Firefighters, and Emergency Medical Technicians Career
7	Development, Recruitment, and Retention Program
8	188-F:70 Program Established.
9	I. There is hereby established in the community college system of New Hampshire the New
10	Hampshire law enforcement officers, professional firefighters, and emergency medical technicians
11	career development, recruitment, and retention program. To the extent of available funds, New
12	Hampshire law enforcement officers, professional firefighters, and emergency medical technicians
13	may receive reimbursement, upon successful completion, for the cost of one course per semester,
14	including required fees, in a degree program at an institution in the community college system as
15	approved for that individual upon recommendation of the person's supervisor and the committee.
16	Such courses may be in any field leading to a degree in an area of study approved by the commission.
17	II. Upon employment by a New Hampshire fire service, a graduate of the New Hampshire
18	fire academy, or the entity that paid for the cost, with the recommendation of the employee's
19	supervisor and the approval of the committee, shall receive full reimbursement for the cost of the
20	academy not covered by other funding sources.
21	188-F:71 Law Enforcement Officers, Professional Firefighters, and Emergency Medical
22	Technicians Career Development, Recruitment, and Retention Program Committee Established.
23	I. There is hereby established the law enforcement officers, professional firefighters, and
24	emergency medical technicians career development, recruitment, and retention program committee.
25	The members of the committee shall be as follows:
26	(a) The commissioner of the New Hampshire department of safety, or designee. The
<b>27</b>	commissioner, or designee, shall serve as chairperson of the committee.
28	(b) The chancellor of the community college system of New Hampshire, or designee.
29	(c) The director of the New Hampshire police standards and training council, or
30	designee.
31	(d) The director of the New Hampshire Fire Academy, or designee.
32	(e) The president of the New Hampshire Association of Chiefs of Police, or designee.

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8 by the chancellor of the community college system of New Hampshire.
9 II. The committee shall establish criteria and procedures for approval of requests for course

reimbursement, allocation of available funds, and student debt payment.

III. The community college system shall determine the number of credits and the course equivalents granted for graduation from the New Hampshire police standards and training council and the New Hampshire fire academy.

14 IV. The committee shall report annually to the governor, president of the senate, and 15 speaker of the house of representatives. The report shall include information regarding 16 participation in the program, completion of courses, student debt relief, fire academy tuition 17 reimbursement, and data and other information relative to recruitment and retention, and shall 18 make recommendations for legislation relative to the program, and resources needed to achieve its 19 goals.

20 188-F:72 Law Enforcement Officers, Professional Firefighters, and Emergency Medical Technicians Career Development, Recruitment, and Retention Fund Established. There is hereby 21 established in the state treasury a fund to be known as the law enforcement officers, professional 22 23 firefighters, and emergency medical technicians career development, recruitment, and retention 24 fund. The fund shall be administered by the community college system of New Hampshire. The 25fund shall be nonlapsing and continually appropriated to the community college system to support 26 the program established in this subdivision. The community college system shall establish 27 procedures for receiving and disbursing funds, and it shall report to the committee established in 28 RSA 188-F:71 on the operation of the fund. The fund may accept state or federal appropriations or 29 grants, or gifts, grants, or donations from any other source.

2 Community College System of New Hampshire; Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated to the community college system of New Hampshire the sum of \$1,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023. This sum shall be in addition to any other sums appropriated to the community college system and shall not lapse. Funds shall be used to support the law enforcement officers, professional firefighters, and emergency medical technicians career development, recruitment, and retention program established in RSA 188-F:70. Of the sum appropriated, up to \$875,000 shall be used for course reimbursement under the program and up to \$125,000 shall be used for New

- 1 Hampshire fire academy cost reimbursement. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for said
- 2 sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.
- 3 3 Effective Date. Section 2 of this act shall take effect June 30, 2023.

Sen. Watters, Dist 4 Sen. Bradley, Dist 3 May 8, 2023 2023-1689s 06/10

#### Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

1 Amend the bill by inserting the following new sections:

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3 1 Findings. The general court finds that New Hampshire law enforcement officers, professional 4 firefighters, and emergency medical technicians are dedicated professionals whose careers should be 5 supported through educational opportunities. Career development is essential for enhancing public safety, and the state of New Hampshire should provide educational support to law enforcement 6 7 officers, professional firefighters, and emergency medical technicians. Due to changes in technology, 8 challenges arising from the opioid crisis, mental health impacts, and the increased complexity of 9 practices, management, and interactions with the public, New Hampshire needs to ensure law 10 enforcement officers, professional firefighters, and emergency medical technicians can gain 11 necessary skills through degree programs. Recruitment and retention in the workforce are essential 12 as municipalities face retirements, changing demographics, and increasing competition for highly trained professionals. It is also a public good to encourage New Hampshire graduates to pursue 13 14 careers as police officers and firefighters and to commit to careers in the state.

New Subdivision; Law Enforcement Officers, Professional Firefighters, and Emergency
 Medical Technicians Career Development, Recruitment, and Retention Program. Amend RSA 188-F
 by inserting after section 69 the following new subdivision:

Law Enforcement Officers, Professional Firefighters, and Emergency Medical Technicians Career
 Development, Recruitment, and Retention Program

20 188-F:70 Program Established.

I. There is hereby established in the community college system of New Hampshire the New 21 22 Hampshire law enforcement officers, professional firefighters, and emergency medical technicians 23 career development, recruitment, and retention program. To the extent of available funds, New 24 Hampshire law enforcement officers, professional firefighters, and emergency medical technicians 25 may receive reimbursement, upon successful completion, for the cost of one course per semester, 26 including required fees, in a degree program at an institution in the community college system as 27 approved for that individual upon recommendation of the person's supervisor and the committee. 28 Such courses may be in any field leading to a degree in an area of study approved by the commission.

II. Upon employment by a New Hampshire fire service, a graduate of the New Hampshire
 fire academy, or the entity that paid for the cost, with the recommendation of the employee's

1	supervisor and the approval of the committee, shall receive full reimbursement for the cost of the
2	academy not covered by other funding sources.
3	188-F:71 Law Enforcement Officers, Professional Firefighters, and Emergency Medical
4	Technicians Career Development, Recruitment, and Retention Program Committee Established.
5	I. There is hereby established the law enforcement officers, professional firefighters, and
6	emergency medical technicians career development, recruitment, and retention program committee.
7	The member of the committee shall be as follows:
8	(a) The commissioner of the New Hampshire department of safety, or designee. The
9	commissioner, or designee, shall serve as chairperson of the committee.
10	(b) The chancellor of the community college system of New Hampshire, or designee.
11	(c) The director of the New Hampshire police standards and training council, or
12	designee.
13	(d) The director of the New Hampshire Fire Academy, or designee.
14	(e) The president of the New Hampshire Association of Chiefs of Police, or designee.
15	(f) The president of the New Hampshire Police Association, or designee.
16	(g) The president of the New Hampshire state police union, or designee.
17	(h) The president of the Professional Firefighters of New Hampshire, or designee.
18	(i) The president of the New Hampshire Association of Emergency Medical Technicians,
19	or designee.
20	(j) The president of the New Hampshire Association of Fire Chiefs, or designee.
21	(k) Three educators from the community college system of New Hampshire, appointed
22	by the chancellor of the community college system of New Hampshire.
23	II. The committee shall establish criteria and procedures for approval of requests for course
<b>24</b>	reimbursement, allocation of available funds, and student debt payment.
25	III. The community college system shall determine the number of credits and the course
26	equivalents granted for graduation from the New Hampshire police standards and training council
27	and the New Hampshire fire academy.
28	IV. The committee shall report annually to the governor, president of the senate, and
29	speaker of the house of representatives. The report shall include information regarding
30	participation in the program, completion of courses, student debt relief, fire academy tuition
31	reimbursement, and data and other information relative to recruitment and retention, and shall
32	make recommendations for legislation relative to the program, and resources needed to achieve its
33	goals.
34	188-F:72 Law Enforcement Officers, Professional Firefighters, and Emergency Medical
35	Technicians Career Development, Recruitment, and Retention Fund Established. There is hereby

Technicians Career Development, Recruitment, and Retention Fund Established. There is hereby established in the state treasury a fund to be known as the law enforcement officers, professional firefighters, and emergency medical technicians career development, recruitment, and retention

fund. The fund shall be administered by the community college system of New Hampshire. The fund shall be nonlapsing and continually appropriated to the community college system to support the program established in this subdivision. The community college system shall establish procedures for receiving and disbursing funds, and it shall report to the committee established in RSA 188-F:71 on the operation of the fund. The fund may accept state or federal appropriations or grants, or gifts, grants, or donations from any other source.

7 3 Community College System of New Hampshire; Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated 8 to the community college system of New Hampshire the sum of \$1,000,000 for the fiscal year ending 9 June 30, 2024. This sum shall be in addition to any other sums appropriated to the community 10 college system. Funds shall be used to support the law enforcement officers, professional 11 firefighters, and emergency medical technicians career development, recruitment, and retention 12 program established in RSA 188-F:70. Of the sum appropriated, up to \$900,000 shall be used for 13 course reimbursement under the program and up to \$100,000 shall be used for New Hampshire fire 14 academy cost reimbursement. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for said sum out of any 15 money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

#### 2023-1689s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

#### Insert:

1. Establishes a first responder career development, recruitment, and retention program in the community college system, and makes an appropriation for the program.

Sen. Rosenwald, Dist 13 April 13, 2023 2023-1383s 02/05

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