

FISCAL COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL COURT
MINUTES
April 12, 2019

The Fiscal Committee of the General Court met on Friday, April 12, 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 Dan Feltes
Senator Cindy Rosenwald
Senator Chuck Morse
Senator David Watters (Alternate)
Senator Jeanne Dietsch (Alternate)

Chairman Wallner opened the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

On a motion by Representative Leishman, seconded by Representative Weyler, that the minutes of the March 8, 2019 meeting be accepted as written. MOTION ADOPTED.

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:

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Chair announced that requests FIS 19-079 Department of Information Technology, FIS 19-080 Department of Transportation, and FIS 19-090 Judicial Council would be removed from the Consent Calendar.

On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Representative Ford, that the Committee approve the remaining requests under this section as submitted. MOTION ADOPTED. [FIS 19-073 Office of The Governor – authorization to transfer \$14,350 in other funds and establish a new expenditure class code through June 30, 2019, FIS 19-088 Department of Education – authorization to transfer \$350,000 in general funds through June 30, 2019, FIS 19-089 Department of Health and Human Services – authorization to transfer \$60,000 in general funds through June 30, 2019, and FIS 19-091 Department of Safety – authorization to transfer \$154,000 in general/highway/turnpike/other funds through June 30, 2019]

FIS 19-079 Department of Information Technology – Denis Goulet, Commissioner, and Rose Curry, Finance Director, Department of Information Technology, presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Senator Feltes, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Information Technology to transfer \$177,801 in other funds through June 30, 2019. MOTION ADOPTED.

FIS 19-080 Department of Transportation – Marie Mullen, Director of Finance, and Peter Stamnas, Director of Project Development, Department of Transportation, presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Representative Ford, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Transportation to establish various non-budgeted classes in various accounting units and to transfer \$595,000 in highway funds through June 30, 2019. MOTION ADOPTED.

FIS 19-090 Judicial Council – Nina Gardner, Chair, Judicial Council, responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Senator Feltes, that the Committee approve the request of the Judicial Council to transfer \$166,000 in general funds through June 30, 2019. MOTION ADOPTED.

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

FIS 19-092 Judicial Council – On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Senator Feltes, that the Committee approve the request of the Judicial Council to receive an additional appropriation from funds not otherwise appropriated in the amount of \$396,000 in general funds through June 30, 2019. MOTION ADOPTED.

FIS 19-093 Judicial Council – On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Senator Feltes, that the Committee approve the request of the Judicial Council to receive an additional appropriation from funds not otherwise appropriated in the amount of \$50,000 in general funds through June 30, 2019. 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

At the request of Senator Feltes, FIS 19-074 Department of Safety was removed from the Consent Calendar.

On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Senator Rosenwald, that the Committee approve the remaining requests under this section as submitted. MOTION ADOPTED. [FIS 19-075 Department of Safety – authorization to accept and expend \$589,858 in other funds through June 30, 2019, FIS 19-081 Department of Administrative Services – authorization to budget and expend \$213,240 in other funds through June 30, 2019, FIS 19-082 Department of Education – authorization to accept and expend \$3,688,676 in federal funds through June 30, 2019, FIS 19-083 Department of Health and Human Services – authorization to accept and expend \$921,615 in other funds through June 30, 2019, and FIS 19-084 Department of Health and Human Services – authorization to accept and expend \$6,399,105 in other funds through June 30, 2019]

FIS 19-074 Department of Safety – Steven Lavoie, Director of Administration, Department of Safety presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Feltes, seconded by Representative Ober, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Safety through June 30, 2019 to; 1) amend FIS 18-019, approved February 16, 2018, by reallocating \$85,332 in federal funds, and 2) accept and expend \$31,243 in additional federal funds. MOTION ADOPTED.

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

FIS 19-086 Office of The Governor – Replacement Attachment Pages were distributed prior to the meeting.

On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Representative Ford, that the Committee approve the request, including the replacement attachment pages, of the Office of The Governor for approval through June 30, 2019 to; 1) repurpose funds already authorized for expenditures from the Public School Infrastructure Fund in the amount of \$190,102 in general funds, and 2) contingent upon the availability of funds remaining from closed projects previously approved, request approval to repurpose funds already authorized for expenditures from the Public School Infrastructure Fund in the amount of \$50,646 in general funds. MOTION ADOPTED.

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

FIS 19-094 Department of Corrections – Helen Hanks, Commissioner, and Robin Maddaus, Director of Administration, Department of Corrections presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Weyler, seconded by Representative Ober, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Corrections for additional funding in the amount of \$889,000 in general funds for medical payments to providers to cover projected shortfalls through June 30, 2019. MOTION ADOPTED.

CHAPTER 156:13, LAWS OF 2017, JUDICIAL BRANCH; TRANSFER AMONG ACCOUNTS AND CLASSES:

FIS 19-072 Administrative Office of the Courts – On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Senator Feltes, that the Committee approve the request of the Administrative Office of the Courts to transfer \$1,086,000 in general funds between expenditure classes through June 30, 2019. MOTION ADOPTED.

CHAPTER 163:9, LAWS OF 2018, DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES; TRANSFER AUTHORITY; CONSOLIDATION OF HUMAN RESOURCES AND PAYROLL FUNCTIONS:

FIS 19-095 Department of Administrative Services – Charles Arlinghaus, Commissioner, and Shelia Gagnon, Chief Financial Officer, Department of Administrative Services, presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Senator Feltes, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Administrative Services to transfer \$312,755 in general funds and create new class codes through June 30, 2019. MOTION ADOPTED.

CHAPTER 355:4, LAWS OF 2018, TRANSFER; DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND RSA 9:16-a, TRANSFERS AUTHORIZED:

FIS 19-085 Department of Health and Human Services – On a motion by Representative Leishman, seconded by Representative Ford, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Health and Human Services through June 30, 2019 to; 1) transfer \$1,800,000 in general funds from the Excess Appropriation Allocation Account, and 2) contingent upon approval for Request #1, transfer \$1,854,150 in general funds between various class lines and create new expenditure class codes. MOTION ADOPTED.

INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS:

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, 2018 – Stephen Smith, Director of Audits, Audit Division, Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, Brock Romano, 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, 2018 – Stephen Smith, Director of Audits, Audit Division, Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, Brock Romano, KPMG Partner, and Jennifer Renaud, KPMG Senior Audit 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.

State of New Hampshire, New Hampshire Adult Parole Board, Performance Audit, April 2019 – Stephen Smith, Director of Audits, and Vilay Skidds, Senior Audit Manager, Audit Division, Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, presented the report and responded to questions of the Committee. Donna Sytek, Chair, and Ashlyn St. Germain, Executive Assistant, Adult Parole Board were also present to respond to questions of the Committee. Helen Hanks, Commissioner, Department of Corrections was 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.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT:

The next regular meeting of the Fiscal Committee was previously scheduled for Friday, May 10, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. and will be scheduled on the second Friday of each month thereafter. (Whereupon the meeting adjourned at 11:41 a.m.)



Representative Ken Weyler, Clerk