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## MEMORANDUM

The Honorable Marvin L. Abney, Chairman, House Finance Committee

To: The Honorable Louis P. DiPalma, Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

From: Joseph Codega Jr., Budget Officer

**Date:** April 25, 2025

Subject: Amendments to FY 2026 Appropriations Act (25-H-5076)

### Governor's Budget Amendment #18

The Governor requests that several amendments be made to the FY 2026 Appropriations Act. The amendments include changes to the appropriation amounts in Article 1, Relating to Making Appropriations in Support of FY 2026.

The amendments proposed reflect a variety of technical revisions to recommended appropriations, including updates to available federal funds, the fiscal year timing of certain project expenditures, and a change to the accounting treatment of the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Fund capitalization.

If you have any questions regarding these amendments, please feel free to call me or my staff at 222-6300.

cc: Sharon Reynolds Ferland, House Fiscal Advisor Stephen Whitney, Senate Fiscal Advisor Jonathan Womer, Director of Administration Brian Daniels, Director, Office of Management and Budget

## ARTICLE 1, RELATING TO MAKING APPROPRIATIONS IN SUPPORT OF FY 2026

#### SECTION 1, APPROPRIATIONS IN SUPPORT OF FY 2026

#### Housing

<u>Decrease General Revenues, page 8, line 19, by \$4,000,000 from \$10,719,465 to</u> <u>\$6,719,465.</u> This amendment shifts \$4,000,000 for the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Fund restricted receipt account to a new Section 21 (see below) to better align the Governor's budget with state accounting principles regarding intrafund transfers. There is no change in the amount of funds authorized for this program – only a technical change in budget presentation (26-HOUSING2).

Increase Federal Funds, page 8, line 20 by \$500,000 from \$15,096,037 to \$15,596,037. This amendment reflects a new federal Department of Housing and Urban Development award to identify and remove barriers to affordable housing production and preservation (26-HOUSING1).

#### **Executive Office of Health and Human Services**

Increase General Revenue in the Central Management Program, Page 12, Line 26 by <u>\$365,000 from \$66,192,009 to \$66,557,009</u>. This amendment consists of two separate adjustments, (1) a \$300,000 increase to shift funds from FY 2025 to FY 2026 to support the healthcare transparency initiative (26-E0HHS4); (2) a \$65,000 increase to shift funds from FY 2025 to FY 2026 to support the MMIS modifications need for project AHEAD (26-E0HHS2).

Increase Federal Funds in the Central Management Program, Page 12, Line 28 by <u>\$6,346,481 from \$206,795,238 to \$213,141,719</u>. This amendment consists of three separate adjustments, (1) Increase of \$3,161,481 which reflects updates to the timeline for the Conflict Free Case Management IT system project and aligns the budget with anticipated expenditures (26-EOHHS1); (2) Increase of \$2,000,000 for a new federal award to work towards the AHEAD model of Medical Assistance financing, and an increase of \$585,000 to shift funds from FY 2025 to FY 2026 to support the MMIS modifications need for project AHEAD (26-EOHHS2); (3) Increase of \$600,000 from a new Department of Housing and Urban Development award to identify and remove barriers to affordable housing production and preservation (26-EOHHS3).

Increase Restricted Receipts in the Central Management Program, Page 12, Line 31 by \$2,056,214 from \$15,463,598 to \$17,519,812. This amendment reflects updates to the timeline for Conflict Free Case Management IT system project and aligns the budget with anticipated expenditures. (26-EOHHS1).

#### Department of Children, Youth and Families

Increase in Federal Funds in the Youth Development Program, Page 14, Line 4 by \$400,000 from \$247,931 to \$647,931. This amendment reflects a federal grant award from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. The funding opportunity is entitled "2024 OJJDP FY 24 Building Local Continuums of Care to Support Youth Success" for a total of \$800,000 to be spent between FY 2025 and FY 2026. There is no matching requirement for the grant (26-DCYF1). Page 3 April 25, 2025

Increase in Federal Funds in the Child Welfare program, Page 14, Line 13 by 1,061,000 from \$93,032,678 to \$94,093,678 to reflect the carry forward balance of an Adoption and Legal Guardianship federal award (26-DCYF2).

#### New Section 21

Page 44, after line 25, insert the following and renumber the subsequent section accordingly:

<u>SECTION 21. Notwithstanding any general laws to the contrary, the state controller shall</u> <u>transfer the sum of four million dollars (\$4,000,000) to the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit</u> <u>Fund by June 30, 2026.</u>

#### Summary of Governor's Article 1 Amendments to FY 2026 Appropriations Act (25-H-5076)

	General Revenue	Federal Funds	Restricted Receipts	Other Funds	Total	Amendment Code (26-AGENCY#)
FY 2026 Expenditures (Original Governor's Recommend)	5,743,054,676	5,090,207,928	446,197,209	2,936,594,811	14,216,054,624	
March 17, 2025 Amendments	18,159	2,630,687	1,735,730	-	4,384,576	
March 18, 2025 Amendments	-	-	-	-	-	
April 18, 2025 Amendments	-	-	-	4,767,096	4,767,096	
Department of Housing						
Pathways to Removing Obstacles Housing Award		500,000			500,000	26-HOUSING1
Low Income Housing Tax Credit - Fund Balance Transfer	(4,000,000)				(4,000,000)	26-HOUSING2
Executive Office of Health and Human Services						
CFCM Project Timeline Update	-	3,161,481	2,056,214	-	5,217,695	26-EOHHS1
Project AHEAD Award & Funding Shift	65,000	2,585,000	-	-	2,650,000	26-E0HHS2
Pathways to Removing Obstacles Housing Award	-	600,000	-	-	600,000	26-E0HHS3
Hospital Transparency Funding Shift	300,000	-	-	-	300,000	26-EOHHS4
Department of Children, Youth, and Families						
Reflect OJJDP Grant	-	400,000	-	-	400,000	26-DCYF1
Reflect Adoption and Legal Guardianship Incentive Federal Award	-	1,061,000	-	-	1,061,000	26-DCYF2
Total	(3,635,000)	8,307,481	2,056,214	-	6,728,695	
Grand Total	5,739,437,835	5,101,146,096	449,989,153	2,941,361,907	14,231,934,991	