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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** The Honorable Marvin L. Abney, Chairman, House Finance Committee  
The Honorable Louis P. DiPalma, Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

**From:** Joseph Codega Jr., Budget Officer

**Date:** February 14, 2023

**Subject:** Amendments to FY 2023 Revised Appropriations Act (23-H-5199)

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The Governor requests that several amendments be made to Article 1 of the FY 2023 Revised Appropriations Act. The amendments include changes to the appropriation amounts in Article 1, Relating to Making Revised Appropriations in Support of FY 2023. In general, these amendments seek to correct errors in recommended appropriations while remaining consistent with the Governor's original intent. A description of each amendment requested is provided below.

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

JC: 23-Amend-2  
Attachments

cc: Sharon Reynolds Ferland, House Fiscal Advisor  
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## ARTICLE 1, RELATING TO MAKING REVISED APPROPRIATIONS IN SUPPORT OF FY 2023

### SECTION 1, REVISED APPROPRIATIONS IN SUPPORT OF FY 2023

#### **Department of Administration**

Increase Rhode Island Capital Plan Funds for Big River Management Area, Page 5, Line 15 by \$173,600 from \$427,000 to \$600,600. This amendment provides access to the FY 2022 account surplus in order to pay ongoing project costs for roads assessment, cameras, and a portion of the demolition costs for two vacant residential structures (23-DOA1).

#### **Department of Business Regulation**

Increase General Revenue in the Division of Building, Design and Fire Professionals program, Page 8, Line 23 by \$466,656 from \$8,773,619 to \$9,240,275. The Governor's Recommended Budget had inadvertently omitted unspent balances reappropriated from FY 2022 associated with this initiative. The Governor recommends a restoration of these general revenue funds in the amount of \$466,656 to the division's revised FY 2023 budget (23-DBR1).

#### **Department of Labor and Training**

Decrease Federal Funds in the Income Support program, Page 12, Line 8 by \$1,050,000 from \$25,017,699 to \$23,967,699. This amendment corrects in an inadvertent inclusion of federal funds to finance capital projects that were not approved for ITIF funding (23-DLT1).

#### **Department of Revenue**

Decrease General Revenue for Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Payments in the State Aid program, Page 13, Line 31 by \$472,446 from \$230,954,881 to \$230,482,435. This amendment combines two changes to Motor Vehicle Excise Tax payments to municipalities, adding \$1,341 for East Providence based on an amended certification and removing \$473,787 in supplemental funding that is not projected to be needed by any municipality (23-DOR1).

#### **Secretary of State**

Decrease Rhode Island Capital Plan Funds for Election Equipment, Page 14, Line 24 by \$170,000 from \$170,000 to \$0. This amendment eliminates funding that was inadvertently added and is not necessary (23-SOS1).

#### **Board of Elections**

Decrease General Revenue, Page 15, Line 27 by \$380,620 from \$6,380,949 to \$6,000,329. This amendment reflects lower actuals for public matching funds received by general officer candidates than budgeted (23-BOE1).

#### **Rhode Island Ethics Commission**

Increase General Revenue, Page 15, Line 29 by \$30,000 from \$2,007,481 to \$2,037,481. This amendment reflects the omission of funding for a Case Management System within the Rhode Island Ethics Commission (23-ETH1).

#### **Department of Health**

Decrease Federal Funds in the Policy, Information and Communications program, Page 20, Line 7 by \$38,103 from \$3,178,489 to \$3,140,386. This amendment corrects the personnel budget category for the Opioid Surveillance Program federal grant due to a position being overbudgeted inadvertently when attempting to change the position's funding source to Opioid Abatement Settlement Funds following agency request submission. A related amendment is included for FY 2024 (23-DOH1).

### **Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities, and Hospitals**

Increase Federal Funds in the Services for the Developmentally Disabled program, Page 24, Line 16 by \$1,329,098 from \$217,651,807 to \$218,980,905. This amendment corrects an inadvertent exclusion of unspent FY 2022 federal funds automatically reappropriated for the same purpose in FY 2023. These funds are to be used to finance initiatives put forth by the agency to address the terms of a court order for the federal DD Consent Decree. Some of these initiatives are eligible for FMAP matching, and this item assumes the same FMAP rate as the Governor's Revised Recommended FY 2023 Budget and does not currently take into consideration any potential changes to the FMAP rate as a result of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023 (23-BHDDH1).

### **Office of the Child Advocate**

Insert Federal Funds in the Central Management program, Page 26, After Line 13 by \$12,000. This amendment budgets a Victims of Crime Act Assistance (VOCA) formula grant totaling \$12,000 newly awarded to the Agency. The agency plans to utilize funds currently budgeted within the FY 2023 Enacted and Governor Recommended budgets to meet the \$3,000 state matching funds requirement of the grant (23-OCA1).

### **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education**

Increase Federal Funds in the Davies Career and Technical School program, Page 27, Line 27, by \$464,810 from \$2,762,742 to \$3,227,552. This amendment reflects restoration of federal funds that were inadvertently left out of the recommendation due to allocation shifts across funding sources in the Davies program (23-RIDE1).

Increase Rhode Island Capital Plan Funds in Davies School Healthcare Classroom Renovations, Page 27, Line 34 by \$486,250 from \$6,500,000 to \$6,986,250. This amendment reflects carryforward from FY 2022 that was unintentionally excluded from the recommendation (23-RIDE2).

### **Rhode Island College**

Increase Other Funds in University and College Funds, Page 31, Line 11 by \$4,338,407 from \$101,458,504 to \$105,796,911. This amendment corrects an inadvertent reduction in institutional student aid funding that was introduced in the institution's revised request (23-RIC1).

Summary of Governor's Article 1 Amendments to FY 2023 Revised Appropriations Act (23-H-5199)

	General Revenue	Federal Funds	Restricted Receipts	Other Funds	Total	Amendment Code (23-AGENCY#)
<b>FY 2023 Revised Expenditures (Original Governor's Recommend)</b>	<b>5,266,570,493</b>	<b>5,951,348,433</b>	<b>470,071,326</b>	<b>2,449,961,654</b>	<b>14,137,951,906</b>	
<b>February 2023 Amendments</b>						
<b>Department of Administration</b> <i>RICAP - Big River Management Area - adjustment for FY 2022 carry forward</i>				173,600	173,600	23-DOA1
<b>Department of Business Regulation</b> <i>Firefighting Foam Adjustment</i>	466,656				466,656	23-DBR1
<b>Department of Labor and Training</b> <i>Federal Funds - Capital Budget Adjustment</i>		(1,050,000)			(1,050,000)	23-DLT1
<b>Department of Revenue</b> <i>Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Payments</i>	(472,446)				(472,446)	23-DOR1
<b>Secretary of State</b> <i>RICAP Election Equipment Removal</i>				(170,000)	(170,000)	23-SOS1
<b>Board of Elections</b> <i>Public Financing of Elections</i>	(380,620)				(380,620)	23-BOE1
<b>Rhode Island Ethics Commission</b> <i>Case Management System</i>	30,000				30,000	23-ETH1
<b>Department of Health</b> <i>Opioid Surveillance Program Federally Funded Position Adjustment</i>		(38,103)			(38,103)	23-DOH1
<b>Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities, and Hospitals</b> <i>DD Reappropriation Federal Funds Restoration</i>		1,329,098			1,329,098	23-BHDDH1
<b>Office of the Child Advocate</b> <i>Federal VOCA Grant Award</i>		12,000			12,000	23-OCA1
<b>Department of Elementary and Secondary Education</b> <i>Davies Federal Fund Adjustment</i>		464,810			464,810	23-RIDE1
<i>Davies Health Careers Carryforward Adjustment</i>				486,250	486,250	23-RIDE2
<b>Rhode Island College</b> <i>Student Aid</i>				4,338,407	4,338,407	23-RIC1
<b>Total</b>	<b>(356,410)</b>	<b>717,805</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,828,257</b>	<b>5,189,652</b>	
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>5,266,214,083</b>	<b>5,952,066,238</b>	<b>470,071,326</b>	<b>2,454,789,911</b>	<b>14,143,141,558</b>	