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MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable Marvin L. Abney, Chairman, House Finance Committee
The Honorable Ryan W. Pearson, Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

From: Joseph Codega Jr., Budget Officer 

Date: March 3, 2022

Subject: Amendments to FY 2023 Appropriations Act (22-H-7123)

The Governor requests that several amendments be made to the FY 2023 Appropriations Act. The amendments include changes to the appropriation amounts in Article 1, Relating to Making 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:22-Amend-3
Attachments

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ARTICLE 1, RELATING TO MAKING APPROPRIATIONS IN SUPPORT OF FY 2023

SECTION 1, APPROPRIATIONS IN SUPPORT OF FY 2023

Department of Administration

Increase Rhode Island Capital Plan Funds for State House Renovations, Page 4, Line 22 by \$155,000 from \$1,928,000 to \$2,083,000. This amendment provides access to part of the FY 2021 account surplus in order to pay vendors for a study of the mechanical systems that would inform future work. The full surplus available for carryforward from FY 2021 was \$553,957 (23-DOA1).

Department of Business Regulation

Decrease Federal Funds in the Building, Design and Fire Professionals Program, Page 7, Line 19 by \$500,000 from \$818,300 to \$318,300. Funds for a new ladder truck for the State Fire Academy were included in the FY 2023 Governor's Recommended Budget, however, the academy had an opportunity to complete this purchase earlier than anticipated. This amendment shifts matching budgeted FY 2023 federal FEMA funds and the fire academy training fees' restricted receipts to the revised FY 2022 budget to account for this purchase in the current fiscal year (23-DBR1).

Decrease Restricted Receipts in the Building, Design and Fire Professionals Program, Page 7, Line 20 by \$750,000 from \$2,950,455 to \$2,200,455. Funds for a new ladder truck for the State Fire Academy were included in the FY 2023 Governor's Recommended Budget, however the academy had an opportunity to complete this purchase earlier than anticipated. This amendment shifts matching budgeted FY 2023 federal FEMA funds and the fire academy training fees' restricted receipts to the revised FY 2022 budget to account for this purchase in the current fiscal year (23-DBR1).

Executive Office of Commerce

Strike Line 33, Page 8 "Quonset Development Corporation" in the Quasi-Public Appropriations Program. This amendment strikes \$1,200,000 in general revenues to the Quonset Development Corporation which eliminates the appropriation of one-time funds included in the enacted FY 2022 Budget which was inadvertently included in the FY 2023 Governor's Recommended Budget (23-EOC1).

Office of the General Treasurer

Decrease Restricted Receipts in the Unclaimed Property Program, Page 13 Line 20 by \$26,469,536 from \$29,039,718 to \$2,570,182. The implementation of GASB 84 moved the costs to a custodial fund, and this amendment aligns the Governor's Revised Recommended Budget with the accounting of the costs (22-TRS1).

Office of Health and Human Services

Decrease General Revenues in the Central Management program, Page 14, Line 12, by \$130,000 from \$42,221,694 to \$42,091,694. This reduction amends the financing associated with Medicaid Enterprise System (MES) Third-Party Liability (TPL) Module, which is currently overstated in the FY 2023 Governor's Recommended Budget (23-OHHS1).

Decrease Federal Funds in the Central Management program, Page 14, Line 13, by \$1,170,000 from \$132,402,412 to \$131,232,412. This reduction amends the financing associated with Medicaid Enterprise System (MES) Third-Party Liability (TPL) Module, which is currently overstated in the FY 2023 Governor's Recommended Budget (23-OHHS1).

Department of Children, Youth, and Families

Decrease General Revenues in the Central Management Program, Page 15, Line 14 by \$173,369 from \$14,085,829 to \$13,912,460. This decrease returns the agency's vehicle fleet funding to its intended amount, which was budgeted within the Child Welfare Program (23-DCYF1).

Department of Human Services

Decrease General Revenues in the Individual and Family Support Program, Page 18, Line 19 by \$75,131 from \$39,250,009 to \$39,174,878. This amendment reduces the DHS budget for security services. Due to the agency vacating certain field offices and relocating office space to a building with an assigned officer in FY 2022, the department will no longer need to fund two Capitol Police officers by paying into the DPS rotary fund. This was included in the DPS budget but was inadvertently omitted from the DHS budget (23-DHS1).

Decrease Federal Funds in the Individual and Family Support Program, Page 18, Line 20 by \$110,700 from \$119,508,574 to \$119,397,874. This amendment reduces the DHS budget for security services. Due to the agency vacating certain field offices and relocating office space to a building with an assigned officer in FY 2022, the department will no longer need to fund two Capitol Police officers by paying into the DPS rotary fund. This was included in the DPS budget but was inadvertently omitted from the DHS budget (23-DHS1).

Increase General Revenues in the Office of Veterans Services, Page 18, Line 31 by \$835,116 from \$30,304,208 to \$31,139,324. (1) This amendment totaling an increase of \$162,550 removes a base budget reduction adjustment that was inadvertently included in the recommendation reverting the budget back to the agency request level plus any applicable statewide budget adjustments (23-DHS2). (2) This amendment totaling \$672,566 shifts the statewide adjustments which include but are not limited to labor negotiated personnel cost of living adjustments and extra payments to eligible union employees from the Support of Domiciled Veterans federal account to the Veterans' Home general revenue account which can support these expenditures (23-DHS4).

Decrease Federal Funds in the Office of Veterans Services, Page 18, Line 33 by \$672,566 from \$13,320,230 to \$12,647,664. This amendment shifts the statewide adjustments which include but are not limited to labor negotiated personnel cost of living adjustments and extra payments to eligible union employees from the Support of Domiciled Veterans federal account to the Veterans' Home general revenue account which can support these expenditures (23-DHS4).

Increase Federal Funds in the Rhode Island Works Program, Page 16, Line 14 by \$3,737,235 from \$103,597,843 to \$107,335,078. This amendment corrects for a reduction made to the DHS COVID CCAP account and aligns the budget to the Caseload Estimating Conference adopted estimate plus applicable Governor recommended initiatives (23-DHS3).

Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities, and Hospitals

Increase General Revenue in the Services for the Developmentally Disabled Program, Page 20, Line 15 by \$395,330 from \$184,095,099 to \$184,490,429. This increase corrects an error contained in the Governor's Recommended Budget with respect to underfunding the \$1,500 extra payment to eligible union employees. (23-BHDDH1).

Increase General Revenue in the Hospital and Community Rehabilitative Services Program, Page 21, Line 23 by \$1,015,381 from \$80,422,430 to \$81,437,811. This increase corrects an error contained in the Governor's Recommended Budget with respect to underfunding the \$1,500 extra payment (23-BHDDH1).

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

Decrease General Revenue in the School for the Deaf program page 23 Line 27 by \$237,066 from \$7,940,337 to \$7,703,271. This decrease adjusts the appropriation to reflect corrected calculations regarding statewide cost-of-living adjustments (23-RIDE1).

Decrease General Revenue in the Davies Career and Technical School program page 23 Line 17 by \$743,850 from \$15,414,314 to \$14,670,464. This decrease adjusts the appropriation to reflect corrected calculations regarding statewide cost-of-living adjustments (23-RIDE2).

Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner

Decrease Federal Funds in Guaranty Agency Administration, Page 25, Line 18, by \$13,917 from \$413,917 to \$400,000. This removes an unintentional increase caused by statewide personnel adjustments by reducing miscellaneous operating expenditures, holding the \$400,000 for administrative expenses to 10% of the Guaranty Agency funding for scholarships of \$4,000,000 as intended (22-OPC1).

Rhode Island College

Increase General Revenue Page 26, Line 24 by \$404,967 from \$61,236,320 to \$61,641,287. This increase reverses the statewide personnel adjustments inadvertently assessed on Rhode Island College employees (23-RIC1).

Community College of Rhode Island

Increase General Revenue Page 27, Line 9 by \$24,470 from \$55,121,637 to \$55,146,107. This increase reverses the statewide personnel adjustments inadvertently assessed on Community College of Rhode Island employees (23-CCRI1).

RI State Council on the Arts

Increase General Revenue Page 27, Line 28 by \$89,188 from \$969,088 to \$1,058,276. This increase restores funding that was inadvertently excluded from the Governor's Revised Recommended Budget. These funds are intended to finance RISCA personnel reclassifications that were approved during FY 2022, and this restoration is consistent with the intent of the Governor's Revised Recommended Budget (23-RISCA1).

Increase Federal Funds Page 27, Line 32 by \$7,042 from \$1,324,677 to \$1,331,713. This increase restores funding that was inadvertently excluded from the Governor's Revised Recommended Budget. These funds are intended to finance RISCA personnel

reclassifications that were approved during FY 2022, and this restoration is consistent with the intent of the Governor's Revised Recommended Budget (23-RISCA1).

Department of Corrections

Decrease General Revenue in the Central Management Program, Page 29, Line 11 by \$1,672,609 from \$18,618,789 to \$16,946,180. This amendment makes two corrections: (1) shifts to FY 2022 a total of \$1,140,000 which was incorrectly budgeted in FY 2023 to pay back a loan for the Correctional Industries Fund which will occur in the current fiscal year; and (2) shifts a total of \$532,609 to FY 2022 which was incorrectly budgeted in FY 2023 to cover a projected current year deficit in the Correctional Industries Fund. A corresponding amendment will be submitted separately which adds this funding to the revised FY 2022 Budget as well as corrects the loan payback amount by adding a total of \$270,000 in FY 2022 (23-DOC1).

Military Staff

Increase General Revenues, Page 31, Line 27 by \$252,460 from \$3,145,133 to \$3,397,593. This increase shifts applicable personnel costs for two firefighters who were placed on Injured on Duty (IOD) status from federal funds to general revenues which would be able to support the expenditures (23-RING1).

Decrease Federal Funds, Page 31, Line 28 by \$252,460 from \$40,305,712 to \$40,053,252. This decrease shifts applicable personnel costs for two firefighters who were placed on Injured on Duty (IOD) status from federal funds to general revenues which would be able to support the expenditures (23-RING1).

Department of Transportation

Increase Federal Funds in the Infrastructure Engineering program, Page 35, Line 8, by \$3,300,000 from \$411,719,330 to \$415,019,330. This increase reflects a correction to reflect insurance costs for the RI Public Railroad Corporation paid for by federal funds through the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) Program (23-DOT1).

Summary of Governor's Article 1 Amendments to FY 2023 Appropriations Act (22-H-7123)

	General Revenue	Federal Funds	Restricted Receipts	Other Funds	Total	Amendment Code (23-AGENCY#)
FY 2023 Expenditures (Original Governor's Recommend)	4,731,312,148	5,311,039,436	432,230,976	2,350,432,468	12,825,015,028	
March 2022 Amendments						
Department of Administration <i>State House RICAP</i>				228,000	228,000	23-DOA1
Department of Business Regulation <i>Funding Adjustment for Fire Academy Ladder Truck</i>		(500,000)	(750,000)		(1,250,000)	23-DBR1
Executive Office of Commerce <i>Quonset Development Corporation Transfer</i>	(1,200,000)				(1,200,000)	23-EOC1
Office of the General Treasurer <i>Unclaimed Property GASB 84 Adjustment</i>			(26,469,536)		(26,469,536)	23-TRS1
Office of Health and Human Services <i>Medicaid Enterprise System (MES) Third Party Liability (TPL) Module Adjustment</i>	(130,000)	(1,170,000)			(1,300,000)	23-OHHS1
Department of Children, Youth, and Families <i>Vehicle Fleet Budget Adjustment</i>	(173,369)				(173,369)	23-DCYF1
Department of Human Services <i>Capitol Police Officer Funding Reduction</i>	(75,131)	(110,700)			(185,831)	23-DHS1
<i>Veterans Home Base Budget Adjustment</i>	162,550				162,550	23-DHS2
<i>CEC Covid CCAP Budget</i>		3,737,235			3,737,235	23-DHS3
<i>Shift VETS Home Statewide Adjustments from federal funds to general revenue</i>	672,566	(672,566)			-	23-DHS4
Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities, and Hospitals <i>Underfunded \$1,500 Extra Payment Correction</i>	1,410,711				1,410,711	23-BHDDH1
Department of Elementary and Secondary Education <i>Rhode Island School for the Deaf Statewide Adjustment Reduction</i>	(237,066)				(237,066)	23-RIDE1
<i>Davies Statewide Adjustment Reduction</i>	(743,850)				(743,850)	23-RIDE2
Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner <i>Guaranty Agency Administration</i>		(13,917)			(13,917)	23-OPC1
Rhode Island College <i>Reversal of Personnel Statewide Adjustments</i>	404,967				404,967	23-RIC1
Community College of Rhode Island <i>Reversal of Personnel Statewide Adjustments</i>	24,470				24,470	23-CCRI1

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RI State Council on the Arts						
<i>Personnel Reclassification Correction</i>	89,188	7,042			96,230	23-RISCA1
Department of Corrections						
<i>Correctional Industries Loan Revision</i>	(1,672,609)				(1,672,609)	23-DOC1
Military Staff						
<i>IOD Quonset Firefighters</i>	252,460	(252,460)			-	23-RING1
Department of Transportation						
<i>CMAQ Account Increase for Insurance</i>		3,300,000			3,300,000	23-DOT1
Total	(1,215,113)	4,324,634	(27,219,536)	228,000	(23,882,015)	
Grand Total	4,730,097,035	5,315,364,070	405,011,440	2,350,660,468	12,801,133,013	