

SENATE No. 2025

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)

SENATE, Monday, October 5, 2015

Ms. Spilka for the committee on Ways and Means, on House, No. 3785, reported, in part, a "Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2015 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects" (Senate, No. 2025).

[Direct Appropriation:	\$341,577,233
Retained Revenue Authorization:	\$0
Total:	\$341,577,233]

For the committee,
Karen E. Spilka

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An Act making appropriations for the fiscal year 2015 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purposes, which are forthwith to make supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 2015 and to make certain changes in law, each of which is immediately necessary to carry out those appropriations or to accomplish other important public purposes, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. To provide for supplementing certain items in the general appropriation act
2 and other appropriation acts for fiscal year 2015, the sums set forth in sections
3 2 to 2E, inclusive, are hereby appropriated from the General Fund unless
4 specifically designated otherwise in this act or in those appropriation acts, for
5 the several purposes and subject to the conditions specified in this act or in
6 those appropriation acts, and subject to the laws regulating the disbursement
7 of public funds for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015. These sums shall be
8 in addition to any amounts previously appropriated and made available for the
9 purposes of those items. These sums shall be made available until June 30,
10 2016.

11 SECTION 2.

JUDICIARY

Committee for Public Counsel Services

12	0321-1510	.....	\$1,400,000
13	0321-1520	\$2,500,000

DISTRICT ATTORNEYS

Hampden District Attorney

14	0340-0500	\$137,264
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Bristol District Attorney

15	0340-0998	\$53,849
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SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

16	0521-0000	\$75,773
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EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Department of Revenue

17	1233-2401	\$250,000
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Office of the Secretary of Administration and Finance

18	1599-2015	\$8,043,236
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19	1599-4440	\$8,843,356
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20	1599-4441	\$137,151
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21	1599-6901	\$5,287,476
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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

Department of Conservation and Recreation

22	2810-0100	\$402,000
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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary of Health and Human Services

23	4000-0700	\$203,000,000
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Department of Public Health

24	4512-0200	\$15,200,000
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Department of Mental Health

25	5095-0015	\$5,800,000
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Department of Children and Families

26	4800-0038	\$2,000,000
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MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Department of Transportation

27 1595-6368\$31,518,732
28 Commonwealth Transportation Fund..... 100%

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Massachusetts Marketing Partnership

29 7008-0900\$500,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF EDUCATION

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

30 7010-0060\$3,800,000

STATE UNIVERSITIES

Framingham State University

31 7112-0100\$2,500,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Military Division

32 8700-1150\$9,489,062

Department of Correction

33 8900-0001\$2,193,155

34 SECTION 2A. To provide for certain unanticipated obligations of the commonwealth, to
35 provide for an alteration of purpose for current appropriations and to meet certain requirements
36 of law, the sums set forth in this section are hereby appropriated from the General Fund unless
37 specifically designated otherwise in this section, for the several purposes and subject to the
38 conditions specified in this section, and subject to the laws regulating the disbursement of public
39 funds for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015. These sums shall be in addition to any amounts
40 previously appropriated and made available for the purposes of these items. These sums shall be
41 made available until June 30, 2016.

TRIAL COURT

42 0330-0612 For the implementation and administration of a sequential intercept model project to
43 better serve individuals with mental health and substance abuse disorders involved in the
44 criminal justice system; provided, that the trial court shall hire a project coordinator to oversee

45 coordination, administration and financial oversight of the sequential intercept model project;
46 provided further, that not later than July 1, 2016, the project coordinator shall prepare and submit
47 a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be
48 limited to: (i) the design of the sequential intercept model mappings; (ii) the locations of
49 workshops held to advocate for the model; (iii) the number of cases in which the model has been
50 utilized; (iv) the initial impact of the model on rehabilitation and recidivism; and (v) the cost
51 savings associated with the model; and provided further, that funds appropriated in this item
52 shall not revert and shall be available for expenditure through June 30, 2016.....\$300,000

OFFICE OF THE TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL

53 0612-0001 For the state board of retirement to meet the obligations required of the board for the
54 implementation of chapter 19 of the acts of 2015 and any related expenses\$146,980

EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Office of the Secretary of Administration and Finance

55 1599-0044 For a reserve related to special litigation costs\$1,500,000

56 1599-0999 For a reserve to assist agencies in organizational transformation and other
57 improvements; provided, that the executive office for administration and finance shall report to
58 the house and senate committees on ways and means not later than March 16, 2016 on: (i) the
59 organizational efficiencies identified at each agency, including any cost-savings; (ii) the plan for
60 implementing those efficiencies at each agency in fiscal year 2016 and fiscal year 2017; and (iii)
61 the projected fiscal impact of those efficiencies in fiscal year
62 2017..... \$1,000,000

63 1599-1100 For a reserve at the executive office of health and human services to address
64 immediate staffing and training needs at the department of children and families; provided, that
65 funds shall first be used to address immediate staffing and training needs in order to provide
66 systematic improvement at the department; and provided further, that not later than March 1,
67 2016, the department shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the
68 use and costs of staffing and training needs at the department
69\$2,500,000

70 1599-2016 For a reserve to be administered by the health policy commission; provided, that the
71 commission shall establish a pilot program to increase efficiencies and align systemwide goals
72 within 1 regional hospital system to improve the overall sustainability of the system; provided
73 further, that the program shall provide a systemwide grant to create a comprehensive approach to
74 systemwide needs; provided further, that the program shall include measurable milestones that
75 shall demonstrate progress in at least 1 of the following areas: (i) care coordination, integration
76 and delivery transformations; (ii) electronic health record and information exchange
77 advancements; (iii) increasing alternative payment methods and accountable care organizations;
78 (iv) enhancing patient safety; (v) increasing access to behavioral health services; or (vi)
79 increasing coordination between hospitals within the regional hospital systems and community-
80 based providers and organizations; provided further, that the commission shall select a system
81 that has not more than 1 academic hospital as part of the regional hospital system and include an
82 acute care hospital not receiving delivery system transformation initiative payments with both a
83 Medicaid payer mix that is more than 1 standard deviation above the statewide average and a
84 commercial payer mix that is more than 1/2 standard deviation below the statewide average
85 based on the cost report data from fiscal year 2012; provided further, that the commission shall
86 submit a report to the joint committee on health care financing and the house and senate
87 committees on ways and means not later than December 31, 2016 on: (a) a description of the
88 projects completed through the grant program; (b) an analysis of cost savings realized by the
89 regional hospital system through the grant program; and (c) any other outcomes the commission
90 considers relevant; and provided further, that the office of Medicaid shall seek federal financial
91 participation for grants made under the pilot
92 program.....\$5,000,000

93 1599-8910 For a reserve to remediate identified and approved deficiencies incurred by the
94 sheriffs\$21,749,199

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary of Health and Human Services

95 1599-0017 For a homelessness prevention reserve at the executive office of health and human
96 services.....\$5,000,000

97 1599-2002 For a reserve for the department of children and families to address training and
98 supports for foster families and adoptive families\$1,000,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Office of the Secretary

99 8000-1020 For grants to municipalities for police body camera pilot programs to be
100 administered by the executive office of public safety and security; provided, that the executive
101 office shall make an initial written evaluation report on the progress and effectiveness of these
102 programs to the joint committee on public safety and the house and senate committees on ways
103 and means not later than March 31, 2016\$250,000

104 SECTION 2C.I. For the purpose of making available in fiscal year 2016 balances of
105 appropriations which otherwise would revert on June 30, 2015, the unexpended balances of the
106 appropriations listed below, not to exceed the amount specified below for each item, are hereby
107 reappropriated for the purposes of and subject to the conditions stated for the corresponding item
108 in section 2 of chapter 165 of the acts of 2014. For items that do not appear in said section 2 of
109 said chapter 165, the amounts in this section are hereby reappropriated for the purposes of and
110 subject to the conditions stated for the corresponding item in section 2 or 2A in prior
111 appropriation acts. The unexpended balances of all appropriations in the Massachusetts
112 management accounting and reporting system with a secretariat code of 01 or 17 are hereby
113 reappropriated for the purposes of and subject to the conditions stated for the corresponding item
114 said section 2 of said chapter 165 of the acts of 2014 or section 2A of chapter 194 of the acts of
115 2011. The sums reappropriated in this section shall be in addition to any amounts available for
116 those purposes.

JUDICIARY

Committee for Public Counsel Services

117 0321-1500\$129,193

EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Office of the Secretary of Administration and Finance

118 1599-0054\$1,235,079

119 1599-0415\$53,357

120	1599-4444	.....	\$3,774,924
121	1599-6903	.....	\$7,435,045

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

Department of Environmental Protection

122	2200-0135	\$400,000
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Department of Public Utilities

123	2100-0012	\$127,589
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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Department of Public Health

125	4510-0710	\$1,634,400
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Department of Mental Health

126	5046-0000	\$2,000,000
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Department of Transitional Assistance

127	4401-1000	\$862,000
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Department of Children and Families

128	4800-0015	\$208,302
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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Massachusetts Marketing Partnership

129	7008-0900	\$662,924
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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF EDUCATION

Department of Early Education and Care

130	3000-4060	\$3,400,000
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Department of Higher Education

131	7077-0023	\$20,000
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University of Massachusetts

132	7100-0207	\$331,175
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Cape Cod Community College

133 7504-0102 \$1,433,393

SHERIFFS

Hampden Sheriff's Office

134 8910-0102\$240,000

135 SECTION 2C.II. For the purpose of making available in fiscal year 2016 balances of
136 retained revenue and intragovernmental chargeback authorizations which otherwise would revert
137 on June 30, 2015, the unexpended balances of the authorizations listed below, not to exceed the
138 amount specified below for each item, are hereby reauthorized for the purposes of and subject to
139 the conditions stated for the corresponding item in section 2 or 2B of chapter 165 of the acts of
140 2014. Amounts in this section are hereby reauthorized from the funds designated for the
141 corresponding item in said section 2 or 2B of said chapter 165. For items that do not appear in
142 said section 2 or 2B of said chapter 165, the amounts in this section are hereby reauthorized from
143 the funds designated for the corresponding item in section 2, 2A or 2B of this act or in prior
144 appropriation acts. The sums reauthorized in this section shall be in addition to any amounts
145 available for those purposes.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Human Resources Division

146 1750-0601\$300,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Office of the Chief Medical Examiner

148 8000-0122\$200,000

149 SECTION 3. Section 207 of chapter 6 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
150 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 21 and 22, the words “public welfare
151 under chapter one hundred and eighteen or one hundred and eighteen E” and inserting in place
152 thereof the following words:- transitional assistance under chapter 118 or of the division of
153 medical assistance under chapter 118E.

154 SECTION 4. Section 14A of chapter 6A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
155 amended by striking out, in line 34, the words “and (7)” and inserting in place thereof the
156 following words:- (7) provide consolidated human resource services to the employees of the

157 department of higher education, the department of early education and care and the department
158 of elementary and secondary education; and (8).

159 SECTION 5. Section 3 of chapter 6C of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
160 amended by striking out clauses 47 and 48 and inserting in place thereof the following 4
161 clauses:-

162 (47) ensure regional equity related to transportation planning, construction, repair, maintenance,
163 capital improvement, development and funding;

164 (48) designate a representative to act in its interest in labor relations matters with its employees;

165 (49) sell, lease or otherwise contract for advertising, including in or on facilities of the
166 department; and

167 (50) exercise all the powers and duties exercised by the outdoor advertising board under chapter
168 93.

169 SECTION 6. Subsection (a) of section 45 of chapter 7C of the General Laws, as so
170 appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the second sentence and inserting in place thereof
171 the following sentence:- Eight members shall be appointed by the governor, 3 of whom shall
172 have not fewer than 15 years of experience as registered architects in the commonwealth who
173 may be architects emeritus but who shall not have a record of disciplinary action, 3 of whom
174 shall have not fewer than 15 years of experience as registered engineers in the commonwealth
175 who shall not have a record of disciplinary action and 2 of whom shall be representatives of the
176 public who are not architect designers, engineers or construction contractors.

177 SECTION 7. Subsection (c) of said section 45 of said chapter 7C, as so appearing, is
178 hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following 2
179 sentences:- The board shall employ an executive director who shall be appointed by the secretary
180 of administration and finance and who shall have either: (i) not fewer than 15 years of experience
181 as a registered architect who shall not have a record of disciplinary action; or (ii) not fewer than
182 15 years of experience as a registered engineer who shall not have a record of disciplinary action.
183 The board shall employ such other staff or consultants as it may deem necessary, subject to
184 appropriation.

185 SECTION 8. Said chapter 7C is hereby amended by striking out section 59, as so
186 appearing, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

187 Section 59. As used in this section and unless the context clearly requires otherwise,
188 “schematic design” shall mean a basic and preliminary revision, development and
189 implementation of the study or program parameters, or both the study and program parameters,
190 and a further, but preliminary, investigation of the construction details, mechanical system, code
191 issues, construction schedule, site utilities and cost estimate, including preliminary designs and
192 design premises upon which the design scheme is based.

193 An appropriation or authorization for the design or construction of a building project,
194 beyond schematic design, for which a state agency is the using agency shall require the
195 satisfactory completion of a study or program through schematic design before any services for
196 the design or construction of the project may be contracted for, performed by contract or
197 otherwise, or funds allotted, encumbered or expended therefor, unless such appropriation or
198 authorization specifically states that no such study or program need or shall be done.

199 No provider of design services for any building project for which a state agency is the
200 using agency shall be selected by the designer selection board or by the administering agency
201 and no design services shall be performed beyond schematic design for or by such administering
202 agency for any building project for which the satisfactory completion of a study program is
203 required prior to the design or construction of that project, unless: (i) the study or program or, if
204 appropriate, both, have been satisfactorily completed through schematic design; (ii) the using
205 agency certifies in writing to the commissioner of capital asset management and maintenance
206 that the study or program, including schematic design, or, if appropriate, both, correspond to the
207 current needs of that agency, including its current long-term capital facilities development plan;
208 (iii) the commissioner requests that the director of programming, the director of project
209 management or the director of facilities management review the study or program, including
210 schematic design, or, if appropriate, both, and the director certifies in writing to the
211 commissioner that the study or program including schematic design, or if appropriate, both,
212 reflects the using agency’s needs as stated, that they provide an accurate estimate of the project
213 requirements, cost and schedule and that the project can be accomplished within the
214 appropriation or authorization for that project and recommends proceeding with design,
215 construction or, if appropriate, both; and (iv) the commissioner of capital asset management and

216 maintenance certifies in writing to the secretary of administration and finance that the study or
217 program, including schematic design, or, if appropriate, both, are in conformity with the scope
218 and purpose of the appropriation or authorization for the project and legislative intent in regard
219 to long-range capital facility plans for the using agency, approves proceeding with regard to
220 long-range capital facility plans for the using agency and approves proceeding with design,
221 construction or, if appropriate, both.

222 If the director whose review is requested or the commissioner of capital asset
223 management and maintenance should fail to certify, recommend or approve, the commissioner
224 shall immediately send notice of the commissioner's decision and the reasons for the decision to
225 the secretary of administration and finance and to the house and senate committees on ways and
226 means.

227 SECTION 9. Chapter 7C of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the
228 following section:-

229 Section 73. (a) There shall be a Massachusetts percent for art program, or MPAP, to be
230 administered by the public art commission established in subsection (c). The MPAP shall
231 provide for the creation and preservation of existing public art. Under this program and in
232 connection with construction or substantial renovation of any commonwealth-owned, managed
233 and occupied building, not less than 0.5 per cent of the budgeted capital cost of the project, not to
234 exceed \$250,000, shall be expended for the creation or preservation of public art in or on the site
235 including, but not limited to, expenses related to selection processes and design and
236 development.

237 (b) There shall be a public art commission which shall administer the MPAP by: (i)
238 working with the division of capital asset management and maintenance, project managers and
239 contractors to identify opportunities and locations for art; (ii) reviewing each project to ensure
240 relevance of and support for the public art; (iii) making curatorial decisions on a project-by-
241 project basis; (iv) establishing partnerships and relationships as relevant to the program and
242 projects with members of the commonwealth's artist community, including artists, cultural
243 institutions, arts organizations and educational institutions; (v) consulting with local art and
244 cultural commissions; (vi) promoting and encouraging public art; (vii) promoting public access
245 to and education with respect to art installations in public facilities; (viii) ensuring an inventory
246 of and maintenance plan for the public art collection; and (ix) coordinating with the executive

247 department to ensure compliance with and participation in the MPAP. The commission may
248 coordinate with educational, arts and cultural organizations, municipalities and other
249 organizations to provide alternative sources of funding for public art and programming for arts
250 and cultural education and research alternative funding mechanisms including, but not limited to,
251 public-private partnerships that may increase the total pool of funds for public art and suggest the
252 development of programming for education and promotion regarding public art. All state
253 agencies within the executive department shall cooperate with and provide assistance to the
254 commission as necessary.

255 (c) The commission shall consist of: the commissioner of capital asset management and
256 maintenance or a designee who shall serve as chair; the executive director of the Massachusetts
257 cultural council or a designee; 2 persons to be appointed by the president of the Massachusetts
258 College of Art and Design, each of whom shall have a background in public art or architecture;
259 and 5 persons to be appointed by the governor, 1 of whom shall have municipal government
260 experience who shall be selected from a list of 3 individuals nominated by the Massachusetts
261 Municipal Association, Inc.; 1 of whom shall be a project designer with experience in the
262 creation and installation of public art; 1 of whom shall be an artist or representative from a
263 nonprofit or community organization associated with the arts; and 1 of whom shall be a faculty
264 member specializing in art or architecture at 1 of the commonwealth's public institutions of
265 higher education. The governor shall seek to appoint persons who are from geographically
266 diverse regions of the commonwealth. The MPAP coordinator appointed pursuant to subsection
267 (e) shall be a nonvoting member of the commission and shall serve as its secretary. Commission
268 members shall serve without compensation or reimbursement for expenses. Commission
269 members shall serve for a term of 5 years and shall be appointed to not more than 2 terms. The
270 commission shall meet at least quarterly and at the discretion of the chair.

271 (d) The commissioner of capital asset management and maintenance shall appoint an
272 MPAP coordinator who shall report to the commissioner and shall have the requisite
273 qualifications related to public art programs and project management to administer the MPAP. In
274 coordination with the commission and any other agencies as the commissioner may deem
275 appropriate, the coordinator shall, without limitation: (i) recommend the guidelines and
276 parameters for the MPAP; (ii) coordinate the MPAP, including soliciting artists, setting up
277 proposal review, overseeing artists' work and developing and managing community engagement

278 and educational activities; (iii) research other successful funding mechanisms that increase the
279 total pool of funds for public art; and (iv) oversee the creation of a central entity to host a variety
280 of shared resources relating to the implementation, installation, maintenance and preservation of
281 public art.

282 (e) Annually, not later than September 1, the commission shall provide a report to the
283 secretary of administration and finance, the house and senate committees on ways and means, the
284 joint committee on tourism, arts and cultural development and the clerks of the senate and house
285 of representatives describing the actions of the MPAP and the commission and any other
286 information the commission considers pertinent.

287 SECTION 10. Section 35AAA of chapter 10 of the General Laws, as appearing in the
288 2014 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the seventh sentence and inserting in
289 place thereof the following 2 sentences:- Any fiscal year-end balance in the fund that is not
290 subject to appropriation shall not revert to the General Fund but shall remain in the fund and be
291 available for expenditure during the next fiscal year. Any fiscal year-end balance in the fund that
292 is subject to appropriation shall not be subject to section 5C of chapter 29.

293 SECTION 11. The second paragraph of section 2 of chapter 14 of the General Laws, as
294 so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the last sentence and inserting in place thereof
295 the following sentence:- The position of commissioner shall be classified in accordance with
296 section 45 of chapter 30 and the salary shall be determined in accordance with section 46C of
297 said chapter 30.

298 SECTION 12. Section 4 of chapter 15A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
299 amended by inserting after the word “education”, in line 6, the following words:- who shall
300 serve ex officio.

301 SECTION 13. Section 21 of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
302 inserting after the word “education”, in line 54, the following words:- except as otherwise
303 required by section 4.

304 SECTION 14. Subsection (a) of section 2MMMM of chapter 29 of the General Laws, as
305 so appearing, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:- Amounts credited to the

306 fund shall not be subject to further appropriation and monies remaining in the fund at the end of
307 a fiscal year shall not revert to the General Fund.

308 SECTION 15. Section 6D of chapter 30A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
309 amended by adding the following paragraph:-

310 Each executive office shall publish on its website a list of laws passed in the previous 24
311 months for which regulations are required and for which regulations have not been adopted,
312 identifying the session law in which the statutory authority was passed and containing a brief
313 statement as to the agency's plan to adopt the regulations. The plan shall be updated
314 semiannually on the website and filed with the clerks of the senate and house of representatives
315 and the senate and house chairs of the joint committee on state administration and regulatory
316 oversight.

317 SECTION 16. Section 25B of chapter 54 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
318 amended by adding the following subsection:-

319 (q) No early voting ballot cast under this section shall be counted if the officer charged with the
320 duty of counting the ballot is cognizant of the fact that the voter has died prior to the opening of
321 the polls on the day of the election.

322 SECTION 17. Subsection (n) of section 89 of chapter 71 of the General Laws, as
323 appearing in the 2014 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the first paragraph
324 the following 4 paragraphs:-

325 Notwithstanding the enrollment preferences in this section, a Horace Mann charter school
326 in the city of Salem or Springfield may limit enrollment geographically or add a geographic
327 enrollment preference by: (i) using the assignment system of the city in which it is located;
328 provided, however, that within the walk zone for the Horace Mann charter school, as calculated
329 by the city's preexisting student assignment system, the percentage of students who qualify for
330 the free or reduced price lunch program or another successor measure as determined by the
331 department shall be equal to or higher than the district's overall percentage of students who
332 qualify for the program; or (ii) offering enrollment preferences to students who reside in a
333 specific geographical area in which the school building is located; provided, however, that within
334 that geographical preference area, the percentage of students who qualify for the free or reduced

335 price lunch program or another successor measure as determined by the department shall be
336 equal to or higher than the district's overall percentage of students who qualify for the program.

337 In order to institute a geographical enrollment limitation or preference, the original
338 charter of the Horace Mann charter school or an amendment to the charter shall permit such a
339 geographic enrollment limitation or preference. An amendment to the charter of a Horace Mann
340 charter school to add a geographic enrollment limitation or preference shall require the approval
341 of the local school committee, the board of trustees of the Horace Mann charter school and the
342 commissioner.

343 In addition to providing the information pursuant to subsection (e), a Horace Mann
344 charter school that offers a geographical enrollment preference shall include in its application for
345 approval or amendment: (i) a definition of the geographical area for which it shall offer a
346 geographic enrollment preference; (ii) an explanation of how the preference will support the
347 mission of the Horace Mann charter school; (iii) evidence that within the geographical area there
348 resides an equal or higher percentage of low-income students, as measured by qualification for
349 the free or reduced price lunch program or another measure as approved by the department, as
350 compared to the district enrollment as a whole; and (iv) an explanation of how the Horace Mann
351 charter school will target its recruitment and retention efforts for students within the
352 geographical area. If a Horace Mann charter school that chooses to offer a geographical
353 enrollment preference seeks a charter renewal and intends to continue applying the geographical
354 enrollment preference, the board shall consider whether the preference area continues to serve an
355 adequate percentage of low-income students to qualify under this subsection.

356 A Horace Mann charter school that offers a geographical enrollment preference shall give
357 priority for enrollment in the following order: (i) to students actually enrolled in the school on
358 the date the application is filed with the board and to their siblings; (ii) to students who reside
359 within the geographical enrollment preference area and are enrolled in the public schools of the
360 district where the Horace Mann charter school is to be located; (iii) to other students who reside
361 within the geographical preference area; (iv) to other students enrolled in the public schools of
362 the district where the Horace Mann charter school is to be located but who reside outside of the
363 geographical enrollment preference area; and (v) to other students who reside outside of the
364 geographical preference area but within the city or town in which the Horace Mann charter
365 school is located.

366 SECTION 18. Section 5 of chapter 78 of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

367 SECTION 19. The second paragraph of section 7 of chapter 111B, as appearing in the
368 2014 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:- No person shall be
369 committed to the to the Massachusetts Correctional Institution, Framingham for rehabilitative
370 purposes, under this section or section 35 of chapter 123.

371 SECTION 20. Said section 7 of said chapter 111B of the General Laws, as so appearing,
372 is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 29 and 30, the words “or to the Massachusetts
373 correctional institution, Framingham”.

374 SECTION 21. Section 24B of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is
375 hereby amended by striking out, in line 1, the words “and the commissioner of education”.

376 SECTION 22. Said section 24B of said chapter 112, as so appearing, is hereby further
377 amended by striking out, in lines 3 and 4, the words “and the commissioner”.

378 SECTION 23. Said section 24B of said chapter 112, as so appearing, is hereby further
379 amended by striking out, in lines 8, 9, 10 and 11, and in line 15, each time they appear, the words
380 “and said commissioner”.

381 SECTION 24. The third paragraph of section 35 of chapter 123 of the General Laws, as
382 so appearing, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:- The person shall be
383 assessed using a standardized evaluation tool to be created by the department of mental health in
384 collaboration with the department of public health.

385 SECTION 25. The fourth paragraph of said section 35 of said chapter 123, as so
386 appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the fourth sentence and inserting in place thereof
387 the following sentence:- If the person is a male, the person may be committed to the
388 Massachusetts Correctional Institution, Bridgewater if there are not suitable facilities available
389 under said chapter 111B; provided however, that the person so committed shall be housed and
390 treated separately from convicted criminals.

391 SECTION 26. Section 3 of chapter 176Q of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
392 amended by adding the following clause:-

393 (x) to make applications to the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services to waive
394 any applicable provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Pub. L. 111-148, as
395 amended from time to time, as provided for by 42 U.S.C. § 18052, and to implement the state
396 plans of any such waiver in a manner consistent with applicable state and federal laws, as
397 authorized by the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services pursuant to said 42
398 U.S.C. § 18052.

399 SECTION 27. Section 39 of chapter 207 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
400 amended by striking out, in lines 43 and 44, the words “him of twenty-five dollars by said other
401 person” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- the secretary of \$25 for applications
402 delivered by mail, facsimile or by hand or \$20 for applications submitted electronically.

403 SECTION 28. Subsection (e) of section 49 of chapter 9 of the acts of 2011 is hereby
404 amended by striking out the words, “January 1, 2016,” and inserting in place thereof the
405 following words:- January 1, 2017.

406 SECTION 29. Subsection (f) of said section 49 of said chapter 9 is hereby amended by
407 striking out, in line 2, the words “June 1, 2016” and inserting in place thereof the following
408 words:- June 1, 2017.

409 SECTION 30. Section 102 of chapter 35 of the acts of 2013 is hereby amended by
410 striking out, each time it appears, the figure “2015” and inserting in place thereof the following
411 figure:- 2017.

412 SECTION 31. Item 7002-0021 of section 2 of chapter 38 of the acts of 2013 is hereby
413 amended by striking out the words “December 31, 2015” and inserting in place thereof the
414 following words:- June 30, 2016.

415 SECTION 32. Item 1599-4440 of section 2 of chapter 165 of the acts of 2014 is hereby
416 amended by inserting after the words “fiscal year 2015”, the following words:- or fiscal year
417 2016.

418 SECTION 33. Said item 1599-4440 of said section 2 of said chapter 165 is hereby further
419 amended by adding the following words:- ; provided further, that upon receipt of funds, for fiscal
420 year 2016, the state universities shall provide fee credits directly to students in an amount

421 proportional to the increase in student fees associated with contractual salary increases in
422 collective bargaining agreements; provided further, that the fee credits shall be issued not later
423 than December 31, 2015; and provided further, that not later than November 13, 2015, the State
424 University Council of Presidents shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and
425 means on the implementation plan for reimbursements or tuition credits to students, delineated
426 by state university.

427 SECTION 34. Said item 1599-4440 of said section 2 of said chapter 165 is hereby further
428 amended by striking out the figure “\$5,551,224” and inserting in place thereof the following
429 figure:- \$14,394,580.

430 SECTION 35. Item 7077-0023 of said section 2 of said chapter 165 is hereby amended
431 by inserting after the word “University”, the second time it appears, the following words:- ;
432 provided further, that the amount allocated to the feasibility study shall not revert and shall be
433 made available until June 30, 2016.

434 SECTION 36. Said chapter 165 is hereby amended by striking out section 233 and
435 inserting in place thereof the following section:-

436 (a) There shall be a special commission to be known as the 495/MetroWest Suburban
437 Edge community commission which shall consist of: 3 members of the senate, 1 of whom shall
438 serve as co-chair and 1 of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader; 3 members of the
439 house of representatives, 1 of whom shall serve as co-chair and 1 of whom shall be appointed by
440 the minority leader; the secretary of housing and economic development or a designee who shall
441 serve as co-chair; the secretary of transportation or a designee; the secretary of energy and
442 environmental affairs or a designee; the executive director of the Massachusetts Development
443 Finance Agency or a designee; 1 member selected by the 495/Metrowest Corridor Partnership,
444 Inc.; 1 member selected by the Metropolitan Area Planning Council; 1 member selected by the
445 Massachusetts Municipal Association, Inc.; 1 member selected by the Massachusetts Association
446 of Planning Directors; 1 member selected by NAIOP Massachusetts, Inc.; 1 member selected by
447 the Massachusetts Water Works Association Inc.; 1 member selected by the MetroWest Regional
448 Transit Authority; and 9 persons to be appointed by the governor, 1 of whom shall be an
449 academic focused on suburban development, 1 of whom shall be a real estate professional with
450 experience working in edge communities, 1 of whom shall be a water resources expert with

451 experience working in edge communities, 1 of whom shall be a transportation engineer with
452 experience working in edge communities and 5 of whom shall be municipal officials who
453 represent different municipalities served by the 495/MetroWest Corridor Partnership, Inc.

454 (b) The commission shall make an investigation and study relative to development
455 challenges being experienced by edge communities, such as needs to address transportation,
456 water, cellular and energy infrastructure, transit services, residential development, reuse of
457 former industrial facilities and historic mills, brownfields reclamation, downtown redevelopment
458 and other constraints. The commission shall hold at least 3 public forums in the region to solicit
459 stakeholders' feedback before developing policy responses and recommendations to ensure that
460 edge communities may participate in the commonwealth's development initiatives and benefit
461 from the commonwealth's resources. The commission shall focus its investigation and study on
462 the 35 municipalities served by the 495/MetroWest Corridor Partnership, Inc. and shall develop a
463 pilot program to address the issues to be studied and investigated by the commission. The
464 commission shall choose certain municipalities served by the 495/MetroWest Corridor
465 Partnership, Inc. to partake in the pilot program; provided, however, that the 5 municipalities
466 represented by a municipal official chosen by the governor for appointment on the commission
467 shall participate in the pilot program. For the purposes of this section, "edge community" shall
468 mean a municipality with a population of not more than 35,000, with a 5 per cent variance to
469 account for postcensal population estimates.

470 (c) The commission shall report to the clerks of the senate and the house of
471 representatives and to the joint committee on economic development and emerging technologies
472 detailing the results of its investigation and study and include its recommendations, if any, for
473 legislation necessary to carry those recommendations into effect by filing the same with the
474 clerks of the senate and the house of representatives by December 31, 2016.

475 (d) All appointments to the commission shall be made within 90 days after the effective
476 date of this act.

477 SECTION 37. Chapter 431 of the acts of 2014 is hereby amended by striking out the first
478 paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

479 There shall be a task force on child sexual abuse prevention. The task force shall be co-
480 chaired by the child advocate and the executive director of the Children's Trust and shall
481 include: the attorney general or a designee; the lieutenant governor or a designee; the house and

482 senate chairs of the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities; the house
483 minority leader or a designee; the senate minority leader or a designee; the commissioner of
484 public health or a designee; the commissioner of early education and care or a designee; the
485 commissioner of children and families or a designee; the executive director of the Massachusetts
486 office of victim assistance or a designee; the executive director of the Massachusetts District
487 Attorneys Association or a designee; the director of the victim services unit of the sex offender
488 registry board or a designee; the commissioner of elementary and secondary education or a
489 designee; and representatives from each of the following child and youth service providers and
490 advocacy organizations who shall be appointed by the governor: the Alliance of Massachusetts
491 YMCAs, Inc.; the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children; the
492 Massachusetts Children's Alliance, Inc.; the Massachusetts Citizens for Children, Inc.; the
493 Children's League of Massachusetts, Inc.; The Mass Mentoring Partnership, Inc.; the Girl Scouts;
494 the Massachusetts Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs, Inc.; the Massachusetts Association for the
495 Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Inc.; the Massachusetts After School Partnership, Inc.; the Roman
496 Catholic Archdiocese of Boston; and the Massachusetts Adolescent Sexual Offender Coalition,
497 Inc. The governor may appoint additional representatives from agencies serving children, law
498 enforcement, religious organizations and others as necessary to fulfill the purpose of the task
499 force.

500 SECTION 38. Said chapter 431 is hereby further amended by striking out the last
501 paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

502 The task force shall periodically report on its activities and recommendations to the
503 governor, the clerks of the senate and house of representatives and the house and senate chairs of
504 the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities and shall submit a final
505 report not later than June 30, 2017.

506 SECTION 39. Item 0910-0210 of said section 2 of chapter 46 of the acts of 2015 is
507 hereby amended by striking out the figure "\$650,000", each time it appears, and inserting in
508 place thereof, in each instance, the following figure:- \$850,000.

509 SECTION 40. Item 1233-2401 of said section 2 of said chapter 46 is hereby amended by
510 striking out the figure, "\$250,000" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- \$500,000.

511 SECTION 41. Item 4000-0300 of said section 2 of said chapter 46 is hereby amended by
512 inserting after the words “chapter 165 of the acts of 2014” the following words:- ; provided
513 further, that in fiscal year 2016, in addition to the 50 per cent provided for in the previous
514 proviso, the executive office shall expend the full amount in item 4000-0700 of chapter 38 of the
515 acts of 2013 for payments to any acute pediatric hospital and pediatric specialty unit as defined
516 in section 8A of chapter 118E of the General Laws to compensate for high complexity pediatric
517 care.

518 SECTION 42. Item 4000-0600 of said section 2 of said chapter 46 is hereby amended by
519 inserting after the words “calendar year 2007” the following words:- ; provided further, that in
520 fiscal year 2016, MassHealth shall expend not less than the amount expended in fiscal year 2015
521 to reimburse nursing home facilities for bed hold days.

522 SECTION 43. Item 4512-0200 of said section 2 of chapter 46 is hereby amended by
523 inserting after the words “services beds”, the following words:- ; provided further, that not less
524 than \$1,200,000 shall be expended for verbal substance use screening.

525 SECTION 44. Item 4513-1026 of said section 2 of chapter 46 is hereby amended by
526 striking out the words “Good Samaritans” and inserting in place thereof the following words:-
527 Samaritans, Inc. of Boston.

528 SECTION 45. Item 5095-0015 of said section 2 of said chapter 46 is hereby amended by
529 adding the following words:- ; provided further, that the department shall expend not less than
530 \$5,800,000 for a substance use treatment program to provide detoxification and clinical
531 stabilization services for civilly committed women with substance use disorders at Taunton State
532 Hospital; and provided further, that the department shall report to the house and senate
533 committees on ways and means not later than May 2, 2016 on the implementation of the
534 treatment program including, but not limited to: (a) the number of individuals served; (b) the
535 average length of stay per individual; (c) the types of services received by participating
536 individuals; and (d) the number of individuals who are referred to outpatient treatment after
537 completion of the program.

538 SECTION 46. Item 7004-0099 of said section 2 of chapter 46 is hereby amended by
 539 inserting after the words “multi-family housing”, the following words:- provided further, that not
 540 less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the Citizen Planner Training Collaborative for
 541 statewide training and curriculum development for local planning and zoning officials;.

542 SECTION 47. Said item 7004-0099 of said section 2 of said chapter 46 is hereby further
 543 amended by striking out the figure “\$8,687,359” and inserting in place thereof the following
 544 figure:- “\$8,887,359”.

545 SECTION 48. Item 7008-0900 of said section 2 of said chapter 46 is hereby amended by
 546 inserting after the word “Chelsea” the following words:- ; provided further, that not less than
 547 \$500,000 shall be expended for the Outside the Box festival in the city of Boston.

548 SECTION 49. Item 1599-2040 of section 2B of said chapter 46 is hereby amended by
 549 striking out the figure, “\$5,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:-
 550 \$30,303,853.

551 SECTION 50. Section 2D of said chapter 46 is hereby amended by striking out item
 552 7043-1005 and inserting in place thereof the following items:-

553 7043-1005 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title I
 554 Program.....\$66,058

Department of Elder Affairs.

555 9110-1074 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Older Americans Act – Title
 556 III and Title VII\$10,182,633
 557 9110-1076 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Older Americans Act – Title
 558 IIIB\$1,190,451
 559 9110-1077 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National Family Caregiver
 560 Support
 561 Program.....\$3,700,000

562	9110-1094	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, SHINE – Serving the Health	
563		Insurance needs of Elders	
564		.....	\$1,097,000
565	9110-1173	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Older Americans Act – Title	
566		III Nutrition Program	\$13,383,620
567	9110-1174	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Nutrition Services Incentive	
568		Program	\$4,885,300
569	9110-1178	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Senior Community Service	
570		Employment Program	
571		.....	\$1,881,340
572	9110-1190	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MA Chronic Disease Self-	
573		Management Education Program	\$100,714
574	9110-1191	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Enhanced Alcohol and Drug	
575		Recovery Options Counseling Program.....	\$198,706
576	9110-1194	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MIPPA ADRC	
577		.....	\$79,154

578 SECTION 51. Item 1595-1068 of section 2E of said chapter 46 is hereby amended by
579 adding the following words:- ; and provided further, that up to \$707,000,000 in payments made
580 for state and federal fiscal year 2014 or 2015 shall be made from the Medical Assistance Trust
581 Fund, of which \$283,000,000 shall be made to the Cambridge Public Health Commission for
582 dates of service in state and federal fiscal year 2014 or 2015 only after the Cambridge Public
583 Health Commission transfers up to \$141,500,000 of its funds to the Medical Assistance Trust
584 Fund using a federally permissible source of funds which shall fully satisfy the nonfederal share
585 of such payment.

586 SECTION 52. Said item 1595-1068 of said section 2E of said chapter 46 is hereby further
587 amended by striking out the figure “\$462,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the following
588 figure:- \$1,027,500,000.

589 SECTION 53. Section 194 of said chapter 46 is hereby further amended by striking out
590 section 194 and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

591 Section 194. (a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, prior to
592 transferring the consolidated net surplus in the budgetary funds to the Commonwealth
593 Stabilization Fund under section 5C of chapter 29 of the General Laws, the comptroller shall
594 dispose of the consolidated net surplus in the budgetary funds for fiscal year 2015 as follows: (i)
595 transfer ½ of the surplus, not to exceed \$10,000,000, to the Massachusetts Community
596 Preservation Trust Fund established in section 9 of chapter 44B of the General Laws; and (ii)
597 transfer ½ of the surplus, not to exceed \$10,000,000, to the Massachusetts Life Sciences
598 Investment Fund established in section 6 of chapter 23I of the General Laws.

599 (b) After making the transfers required under clauses (i) and (ii) of subsection (a), the
600 comptroller shall transfer, to the extent available, \$120,000,000, or any remaining funds, to the
601 Commonwealth Stabilization Fund established in section 2H of said chapter 29 of the General
602 Laws.

603 SECTION 54. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, prior to the
604 close of fiscal year 2015 and upon the recommendation of both the secretary of administration
605 and finance and the secretary of health and human services or their designees, the comptroller
606 shall adjust any fiscal year 2015 appropriation fund split against or transfer out of the
607 Community First Trust Fund established in section 35AAA of chapter 10 of the General Laws to
608 match final department fiscal year 2015 Community First Trust Fund expenditures.

609 SECTION 55. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the secretary
610 of health and human services, with the written approval of the secretary of administration and
611 finance, may authorize transfers of surplus among items 4000-0320, 4000-0430, 4000-0500,
612 4000-0600, 4000-0700, 4000-0875, 4000-0880, 4000-0885, 4000-0940, 4000-0950, 4000-0990,
613 4000-1400 and 4000-1420 of section 2 of chapter 165 of the acts of 2014 for the purpose of
614 reducing any deficiency in these items but any such transfers shall be made not later than
615 October 31, 2015.

616 SECTION 56. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, any
617 unexpended balances, not exceeding a total of \$20,000,000, in items 4000-0600, 4000-0700 and
618 4000-1425 of section 2 of chapter 165 of the acts of 2014 shall not revert to the General Fund
619 until October 31, 2015 and may be expended by the executive office of health and human

620 services to pay for services enumerated in said items 4000-0600, 4000-0700 and 4000-1425 of
621 said section 2 of said chapter 165 provided during fiscal year 2015.

622 SECTION 57. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the board of
623 the commonwealth health insurance connector shall submit a report to the joint committee on
624 health care financing and the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 90
625 days prior to submitting an application and not less than 10 days after submitting an application
626 under clause (x) of section 3 of chapter 176Q of the General Laws detailing the intent and
627 proposed changes to the state plan and state laws.

628 SECTION 58. (a) There is hereby established on the books of the commonwealth a Debt
629 Defeasance Trust Fund, to be used, without further appropriation, for the purposes specified in
630 subsection (b). The comptroller shall transfer the sum of \$100,000,000 to the fund from the
631 General Fund.

632 (b) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the state treasurer shall
633 expend not later than May 31, 2016, from the Debt Defeasance Trust Fund an amount not to
634 exceed \$100,000,000 for the purpose of purchasing securities to be held for the credit of or cash
635 deposit into a sinking fund to be established in accordance with section 49 of chapter 29 of the
636 General Laws. The monies in the sinking fund shall be applied to pay, at maturity or upon
637 redemption, bonds of the commonwealth to be identified by the state treasurer at the time the
638 sinking fund is established, including the payment of any redemption premium thereon and any
639 interest accrued or to accrue to the date of maturity or earlier redemption of those bonds. In
640 selecting the bonds to be paid from the sinking fund, the state treasurer shall attempt to maximize
641 the financial benefits to the commonwealth produced thereby. The state treasurer may enter into
642 an agreement with a trustee to establish the sinking fund for the benefit of the holders of the
643 bonds to be paid pursuant to this section. Said section 49 of said chapter 29 applicable to sinking
644 funds established with trustees shall apply to the deposit of funds pursuant to this section to the
645 extent such section is consistent with this section.

646 (c) If any monies remain in the Debt Defeasance Trust Fund on June 1, 2016, the
647 comptroller shall, with the consent of the state treasurer and the secretary of administration and
648 finance, transfer such monies from the fund to the General Fund, to be made available
649 exclusively for item 0699-0015 without further appropriation.

650 (d) Not later than June 1, 2016, the state treasurer shall submit a report to the house and
651 senate committees on bonding, capital expenditures and state assets and the house and senate
652 committees on ways and means detailing the actions taken under this section including, but not
653 limited to: (i) the interest saved on the payment of bonds; (ii) interest generated on the monies in
654 the Debt Defeasance Trust Fund; (iii) a list of the bonds paid; and (iv) the amount made available
655 to item 0699-0015 under subsection (c).

656 SECTION 59. Section 58 is hereby repealed.

657 SECTION 60. In fiscal year 2015, the comptroller shall credit \$732,585 to the Money
658 Follows the Person Rebalancing Demonstration Grant Trust Fund, an amount equal to the
659 amount of federal financial participation received in the fourth quarter of state fiscal year 2014,
660 in accordance with section 35TT of chapter 10 of the General Laws.

661 SECTION 61. (a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary early
662 intervention programs shall be considered a “social service program” under section 22N of
663 chapter 7 of the General Laws.

664 (b) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, not later than July 1,
665 2016, the executive office of health and human services, in consultation with the center for
666 health information and analysis, shall establish rates for early intervention programs in
667 accordance with chapter 257 of the acts of 2008.

668 SECTION 62. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, MassHealth
669 and any commercial insurer that insures MassHealth subscribers shall provide double electric
670 breast pumps to expectant and new mothers per birth as specifically prescribed by their attending
671 physician, consistent with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010, Public Law
672 111-148.

673 SECTION 63. Notwithstanding section 28 of chapter 53 of the General Laws or any other
674 general or special law to the contrary, the state primary in 2016 shall be held on Tuesday,
675 September 6, 2016.

676 SECTION 64. Notwithstanding section 3 of chapter 53 of the General Laws or any other
677 general or special law to the contrary, a person whose name is not printed on the September 6,

678 2016 state primary ballot as a candidate for an office but who receives sufficient votes to
679 nominate the person for that office shall file in the office of the state secretary a written
680 acceptance of the nomination and a receipt from the state ethics commission verifying that a
681 statement of financial interest has been filed pursuant to chapter 268B of the General Laws not
682 later than 5:00 P.M. on Monday, September 12, 2016.

683 SECTION 65. Notwithstanding sections 11, 13 and 53A of chapter 53 of the General
684 Laws and section 5 of chapter 55B of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the
685 contrary, objections to and withdrawals from nominations made at the September 6, 2016 state
686 primary shall be filed with the state secretary not later than 5:00 P.M. on Friday, September 9,
687 2016.

688 SECTION 66. Notwithstanding section 14 of chapter 53 of the General Laws or any other
689 general or special law to the contrary, any vacancies from the September 6, 2016 state primary
690 caused by death, withdrawal or ineligibility under section 65 shall be filled by an executive
691 committee, determined by the state party committee, of the same political party who made the
692 original nomination.

693 SECTION 67. Notwithstanding section 15 of said chapter 53 or any other general or
694 special law to the contrary, when a nomination is made to fill a vacancy caused by the death,
695 withdrawal or ineligibility of a candidate from the September 6, 2016 state primary, the
696 certificate of nomination shall be on a form prescribed by the state secretary, shall be signed by
697 the executive committee appointed by the state committee of the same political party as provided
698 for in section 66 and shall be filed with the state secretary not later than 5:00 P.M. on
699 Wednesday, September 14, 2016.

700 SECTION 68. Notwithstanding section 135 of chapter 54 of the General Laws or any
701 other general or special law to the contrary, a petition for a recount of the September 6, 2016
702 state primary shall be filed with the appropriate local election officials not later than 5:00 P.M.
703 on Monday, September 12, 2016 and all recounts shall be completed and notice of the results
704 shall be sent to the state secretary not later than 5:00 P.M. on Friday, September 16, 2016.

705 Petitions for districtwide and statewide recounts of the September 6, 2016 state primary
706 shall be submitted to the appropriate local election officials for certification not later than 12:00

707 P.M. on Monday, September 12, 2016 and local election officials shall complete certification not
708 later than 12:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 13, 2016. Thereafter, certified petitions shall be
709 filed with the secretary of state not later than 12:00 P.M. on Wednesday, September 14, 2016. If
710 the state secretary determines that the contest is eligible for a statewide or districtwide recount,
711 the state secretary shall notify the local election officials who shall complete the recount and
712 shall notify the state secretary of the results of the recount not later than 12:00 P.M. on Monday,
713 September 19, 2016.

714 SECTION 69. Notwithstanding sections 8, 9 and 10, inclusive, of chapter 55B of the
715 General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the state ballot law commission
716 shall notify candidates of any objections filed to nominations at the September 6, 2016 state
717 primary not later than 12:00 P.M. on Monday, September 12, 2016. Notice of the commission
718 hearings shall be given by telephone and electronic mail. Hearings on objections shall be held
719 beginning on Thursday, September 15, 2016 and decisions shall be rendered not later than 5:00
720 P.M. on Friday, September 16, 2016.

721 SECTION 70. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, local election
722 officials shall transmit absentee ballots to voters covered under the federal Uniformed and
723 Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 1973ff-1 et seq., whose applications were
724 received at least 45 days before the November 8, 2016 state election, not later than Saturday,
725 September 24, 2016.

726 SECTION 71. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the state
727 secretary may add or change any dates relating to the nominations made at the September 6,
728 2016 state primary that the state secretary considers necessary for the orderly administration of
729 the November 8, 2016 state election by providing notice of the change to the state parties and
730 any affected person, by filing notice with the regulations division by posting on the state
731 secretary's website and by whatever other means the state secretary considers appropriate.

732 SECTION 72. The special commission established in section 47 of chapter 260 of the
733 acts of 2014 is hereby revived and continued and shall submit its report and findings, along with
734 any drafts of legislation, to the house and senate committees on ways and means, the joint
735 committee on the judiciary, the joint committee on children, families and persons with

736 disabilities and the clerks of the senate and house of representatives not later than January 31,
737 2016.

738 SECTION 73. The working group established in section 164 of chapter 46 of the acts of
739 2015 is hereby revived and continued and shall file a report of its findings and recommendations,
740 along with any drafts of legislation necessary to implement its recommendations, with the clerks
741 of the senate and house of representatives not later than March 1, 2016.

742 SECTION 74. The salary adjustments and other economic benefits authorized by the
743 following collective bargaining agreements shall be effective for section 7 of chapter 150E of the
744 General Laws:

745 (i) between the University of Massachusetts and the American Federation of State,
746 County and Municipal Employees, Local 1776, Unit A01;

747 (ii) between the University of Massachusetts and the Professional Staff
748 Union/MTA/NEA, Units A52 and B42;

749 (iii) between the University of Massachusetts and the Professional Staff
750 Union/MTA/NEA, Unit A15;

751 (iv) between the University of Massachusetts and the American Federation of Teachers,
752 Local 1895, Unit D85;

753 (v) between the Barnstable Sheriff's Office and the National Correctional Employees
754 Union, Local 122; and

755 (vi) between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the State Police Association of
756 Massachusetts, Unit 5A.

757 SECTION 75. Clause (50) of section 3 of chapter 6C of the General Laws, inserted by
758 section 5, shall take effect as of November 1, 2009.

759 SECTION 76. Section 59 shall take effect on June 2, 2016.

760 SECTION 77. Sections 19, 20, 24 and 25 shall take effect on January 1, 2017.