

Emergency Board Minutes  
July 20, 2012, Called for 1:00 p.m.

Pursuant to notice, the Emergency Board met in the 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room in the Pavilion Office Building, 109 State Street, Montpelier, Vermont on Friday, July 20, 2012 at 1:09 p.m.

Members present: Governor Peter Shumlin, Chair; Senator Ann Cummings, Senator Jane Kitchel, Representative Martha Heath, Representative Janet Ancel.

The items on the agenda were as follows:

**Item 1: Vermont Economic Progress Council: Request to Exceed \$10 Million in Employment Growth Incentives for Calendar Year 2012 (2006 Act 184 Sec 11(c)).**

Following presentation by Fred Kenney, Executive Director of the Vermont Economic Progress Council, and discussion, Senator Cummings made the following motion, seconded by Senator Kitchel:

Motion is made that, in accordance with 2006 Act 184 Sec. 11(c), the Emergency Board hereby authorizes the Vermont Economic Progress Council to exceed the \$10 million cap on Vermont employment growth incentive authorizations for calendar year 2012 by an additional \$2,000,000. The Emergency Board further commits to expeditiously consider further increases to the cap if the Administration so proposes later in 2012.

The motion was passed unanimously.

**Item 2: Re-allocation of Calendar Year 2012 Private Activity Bond Ceiling; Delegation to Governor (32 V.S.A. Sec. 992(b)).**

State Treasurer Beth Pearce presented materials regarding the private activity bond allocation of \$284,560,000 for calendar year 2012.

Following the presentation and discussion, Representative Heath made the following motion, seconded by Senator Cummings:

Motion is made to re-allocate Vermont's private activity bond allocation of \$284,560,000 for calendar year 2012 as follows:

Vermont Economic Development Authority	\$ 25,000,000
Vermont Municipal Bond Bank	\$ 25,000,000
Vermont Student Assistance Corporation	\$117,130,000
Hinesburg Sewer Project	\$ 300,000
Contingency	<u>\$117,130,000</u>
	\$284,560,000

It is further moved that the Emergency Board hereby delegate to the Governor the power and authority to assign or reallocate unused portions of Vermont's calendar year 2012 private activity bond ceiling as provided in 32 V.S.A. Sec. 992(b). However, that authority only extends to assignment or reallocation between and among current recipients of the cap apportionment.

The motion was passed unanimously.

**Item 3: Presentation of the Administration's and Joint Fiscal Office's Revenue Estimates and Medicaid Year End Report (32 V.S.A. Sec. 305a).**

Jeffrey B. Carr and Thomas Kavet presented the state revenue estimates. Stephanie Barrett, Associate Fiscal Officer with the Joint Fiscal Office, and Jim Reardon, Commissioner of the Department of Finance and Management with the Agency of Administration, presented information regarding the Vermont Medicaid Program as specified in the document "Report on Medicaid for Fiscal Year 2012."

Following presentation and discussion, Senator Kitchel made the following motion, seconded by Representative Ancel:

Motion is made that the state revenue estimates pursuant to 32 V.S.A. Sec. 305a for FY 2013 and FY 2014 are as follows:

	Fiscal 2013 Estimate (Millions)	Fiscal 2014 Estimate (Millions)
General Fund	\$ 1,260.2	\$ 1,331.3
Transportation Fund	\$ 232.4	\$ 239.3
Transportation Infrastructure Bond (TIB) Fund	\$ 23.1	\$ 24.2
Education Fund	\$ 168.6	\$ 180.5
State Health Care Resources Fund	\$ 265.5	\$ 263.1 (a)
Gross Receipts Tax	\$ 8.0	\$ 8.2
Federal Funds	\$ 1,776.6	----
Global Commitment Fund	\$ 1,137.0	----

*(a) July 2012 Footnote to FY14*

Some programs will transition to the healthcare exchange beginning Jan. 2014. Several assumptions as follows are made in the FY14 revenue estimate proposed for July 2012 Emergency Board consideration:

- 1) Employer Assessment is assumed to be in place for the entirety of FY14, this may change pending administration and legislative action;
- 2) Catamount 11% adjustment revenue and beneficiary premiums are assumed for half the year but are likely to change pending actual program transition;
- 3) Beneficiary premiums for the VHAP program are assumed for half the year but are likely to change pending actual program transition;
- 4) Dr. Dynasaur and SCHIP premiums are assumed for the full year but may change subject to administration and legislative action and/or family decisions regarding coverage through the exchange.

The motion was passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

A true record,

ATTEST:



Alexandra MacLean  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs

cc: Board Members  
State Treasurer  
State Auditor of Accounts  
Other interested parties