

I disapprove Section 79.

I disapprove in the following items in Section 2A the wording as indicated:

Section 2A	Wording Stricken
1599-2020	"; and provided further, that not less than 30 days prior to obligations being made from this item, the administering entity shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance, the joint committee on housing and the house and senate committees on ways and means on proposed allocations and spending plans for programs within this item including, but not limited to, any program criteria and guidelines for the distribution of funds"
1599-2022	"; and provided further, that not less than 30 days prior to obligations being made from this item, the administering entity shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance, the joint committee on housing and the house and senate committees on ways and means on proposed allocations and spending plans for programs within this item including, but not limited to, any program criteria and guidelines for the distribution of funds"

1599-2024	“; and provided further, that not less than 30 days prior to obligations being made from this item, the department shall provide a distribution methodology to the executive office for administration and finance, the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on housing”
1599-2030	“; provided further, that significant funds shall be used to increase the cap on grants under the conservation partnership grant program to \$400,000 per project”
1599-2033	“on publicly-owned land and land owned by non-profit organizations”
1599-2044	“; provided further, that not later than March 30, 2022, the executive office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means, and the joint committee on environment, natural resources and agriculture detailing the status of the grant program that shall include, but not be limited to: (a) the number of grant applications, by industry; (b) the number of successful grant applicants, by industry; (c) the amount of grant funding allocated for each successful applicant; (d) each successful grant applicant’s proposed use of grant funding; and (e) the criteria used to determine successful application”
1599-2055	“; provided further, that grants shall be distributed not later than January 1, 2022; and provided further, that not later than March 1, 2022, the department shall report to the joint committee on education and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the grants awarded to schools and include its analysis and recommendations based on the grant program’s findings”

I return for amendment, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Article 56, as amended by Article 90, Section 3, of the Amendments to the Constitution, Section 72. The text of my recommended amendments is set forth in a separate letter of this date to the Senate and House of Representatives.

The remainder of this bill I approve.

Approved, December 13, 2021

at                      o’clock and                      minutes,                      .M.

Charles D. Baker  
Governor