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ADDRESSING THE FISCAL YEAR 2015 BUDGET SHORTFALL.

*Whereas, the deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is forthwith to address the fiscal year 2015 budget shortfall and to make other changes in law, each of which is immediately needed for important public purposes, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.*

Non-9C Reductions

(A) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, and except as this section provides otherwise, the amounts appropriated for fiscal year 2015 as of November 1, 2014 for departments or agencies not subject to section 9C of chapter 29 of the General Laws shall be reduced by 1.5 per cent, unless within 14 days after the effective date of this act, the department or agency head files with the clerks of the senate and house of representatives, the secretary of administration and finance, and the comptroller, a statement specifying the same total amount of reductions allocated among the items of appropriation for that department or agency or of departmental revenue, in addition to that estimated as of November 1, 2014, approved in writing by the secretary of administration and finance. This statement shall operate as a statutory reduction of the specified appropriations by the specified amounts. For the purpose of this section, the items for the judicial department shall be items 0320-0003 to 0339-2100, inclusive, and the department head of the judicial department shall be the chief justice of the supreme judicial court, the chief justice of the trial court, and the trial court administrator, acting jointly.

(B) Subsection (A) shall not apply to the following appropriation items: (i) state school aid, item 7061-0008; (ii) debt service, items 0699-0005, 0699-0014, 0699-0015, 0699-0018, 0699-2005, and 0699-9100; (iii) the center for health information and analysis, items 4100-0060 and 4100-0061; (iv) sheriffs, items 8910-0102 to 8910-8810, inclusive; (v) treasury items 0610-2000, 0611-1000, and 0612-0105; and (vi) the appropriation items for the University of Massachusetts, the state universities, and the community colleges, items 7100-0200, 7100-0207, 7100-0700, 7109-0100, 7110-0100, 7112-0100, 7112-0101, 7113-0100, 7113-0101, 7114-0100, 7115-0100, 7116-0100, 7117-0100, 7118-0100, 7502-0100, 7503-0100, 7504-0100, 7504-0102, 7505-0100, 7506-0100, 7507-0100, 7508-0100, 7509-0100, 7509-0125, 7509-0140, 7510-0100, 7511-0100, 7512-0100, 7514-0100, 7515-0100, 7515-0121, 7516-0100, 7518-0100, 7100-4000, 7066-1400.

(C) (1) Item 1233-2350 of section 2 of chapter 165 of the acts of 2014 is hereby amended by striking out the figure “$945,750,001” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- $920,230,293.

(2) The unrestricted general government aid appropriated to each municipality in section 3 of said chapter 165 shall be reduced by 2.698 per cent.

(D) Item 1233-2401 of section 2 of said chapter 165 is hereby amended by striking out the figure “$500,000” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- $436,743.

(E) Item 1595-6368 of section 2E of said chapter 165 is hereby amended by striking out the figure “$390,361,636” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- $382,457,119.

(F) Item 1595-6369 of said section 2E of said chapter 165 is hereby amended by striking out the figure “$136,552,622” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- $134,504,333.

(G) Section 2A of chapter 287 of the acts of 2014 is hereby amended by striking out items 7100-0801, 7100-0802, and 7118-0101.

Transfers to and from the General Fund

SECTION 2. (a) Upon certification by the executive office for administration and finance, the comptroller shall transfer from the General Fund to the Commonwealth Care Trust Fund an amount up to the amount of federal financial participation funds received for spending by the Commonwealth Health Insurance Connector Authority for the Commonwealth Care program. To accommodate the timing of federal revenue receipts after June 30, 2015, transfers may be made through the fiscal year 2015 accounts receivable period.

(b) The amount required to be transferred under subsection (c) of section 94 of chapter 194 of the acts of 2011 shall instead be transferred to the General Fund.

Adult Long Term Residential Services

SECTION 3. (A) Item 5920-2000 of section 2 of chapter 165 of the acts of 2014 is hereby amended by striking out the figure “$1,006,339,270” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:-

1,048,839,270.

(B) Said item 5920-2000 of said section 2 of said chapter 165 is hereby further amended by adding the following words:-

Community First Trust Fund . . . . 1.29%

REAL ID Compliance

SECTION 4. Section 8 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as amended by section 76 of chapter 38 of the acts of 2012, is hereby further amended by striking out the seventeenth paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

A license or any renewal thereof shall be valid from the date of issuance and shall expire on a date determined by the registrar but not to exceed 60 months. An applicant for the renewal of a license who is 75 years of age or older shall apply for a renewal in person at a registry branch office.