

FISCAL COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL COURT
MINUTES
May 15, 2026

The Fiscal Committee of the General Court met on Friday, May 15, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. in Room 230 of Granite Place.

Members in attendance were as follows:

Representative Ken Weyler, Chairman
Representative Keith Erf
Representative Maureen Mooney
Representative Karen Ebel (Alternate)
Representative Peter Leishman
Representative Gary Daniels (Alternate)
Senator James Gray, Vice Chairman
Senate President Sharon Carson
Senator Regina Birdsell
Senator Cindy Rosenwald
Senator David Watters

The Chair called the meeting to order at 11:04 a.m.

Representative Ebel served as an alternate for Representative Wallner.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

On a motion by Senator Gray, seconded by Senator Watters, that the Committee approve the minutes of the April 17, 2026 meeting as written. MOTION ADOPTED. (10-Yes; 0-No)

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

CONSENT CALENDAR

As announced by the Chair, the following items were removed from the Consent Calendar to be acted on individually;

Tab 5 Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI.
FIS 26-089
FIS 26-097

On a motion by Senator Gray, seconded by Senator Carson, that the Committee approve all the remaining requests as submitted under the Consent Calendar, Tabs 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7. MOTION ADOPTED. (10-Yes; 0-No) [TAB 3 pursuant to RSA 9:16-a., FIS 26-081 Banking Department – authorization to transfer \$321,000 in other funds through June 30, 2027, FIS 26-082 Department of Transportation - authorization to transfer \$15,000 in federal/highway/other funds between various classes through June 30, 2026, FIS 26-083 Department of Safety – authorization to transfer \$65,000 in federal funds in and among classes within an accounting unit through June 30, 2027, and FIS 26-096 Department of Education – authorization to transfer \$806,000 in general funds in and among accounts and classes through June 30, 2026; TAB 4 pursuant to RSA 9:16-c, FIS 26-084 Department of Safety – authorization to transfer \$7,605,900 in federal funds in and among classes within an accounting unit through June 30, 2027; TAB 5 pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI., FIS 26-085 Department of Energy – authorization to amend FIS 25-173, approved September 5, 2025, by reallocating \$61,731 in federal funds to create a class 085 Interagency Transfers of Federal Funds, and amend the expiration date from June 30, 2027 to April 30, 2027 (Originally approved (FIS 24-240) on August 16, 2024), FIS 26-087 Police Standards and Training Council – authorization to retroactively accept and expend \$300,000 in other funds for the period of July 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026, FIS 26-088 Department of Revenue Administration – authorization to accept and expend \$8,842 in other funds through June 30, 2027, and FIS 26-100 Department of Transportation – authorization through June 30, 2026 to; 1) to accept and expend \$1,215,304 in other funds and 2) accept and expend \$2,741,676 in other funds; TAB 6 pursuant to RSA 124:15, FIS 26-090 Department of Environmental Services – authorization through June 30, 2027 to; 2) contingent upon Governor and Council approval of Request #1, to establish one additional full time temporary position to serve as a Stream Crossing Coordinator, position #9T3411; and TAB 7 pursuant to ARPA RSA 14:30-a, VI., FIS 26-086 Governor’s Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery – authorization to accept and expend \$1,755,958 in federal American Rescue Plan Action (ARPA) State Fiscal Recovery Funds (SFRF) through December 31, 2026]

RSA 14:30-a, VI. FISCAL COMMITTEE APPROVAL REQUIRED FOR ACCEPTANCE AND EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS OVER \$100,000 FROM ANY NON-STATE SOURCE:

CONSENT CALENDAR

FIS 26-089 Department of Safety – Amy Newbury, Director of Administration, and Robert Buxton, Director of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Department of Safety responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Rosenwald, seconded by Senator Birdsell, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Safety to accept and expend \$268,989 in other funds through August 31, 2026. MOTION ADOPTED. (10-Yes; 0-No)

FIS 26-097 Department of Natural and Cultural Resources – Ben Wilson, Director, Historical Resources, and Christopher Marino, Chief of Administration, Department of Natural and Cultural Resources responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Gray, seconded by Representative Mooney, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources to accept and expend \$141,271 in federal funds through June 30, 2027. MOTION ADOPTED. (10-Yes; 0-No)

RSA 228:12 TRANSFERS FROM HIGHWAY SURPLUS ACCOUNT:

REGULAR CALENDAR

FIS 26-101 Department of Transportation – Wayne Gardner, Financial Administrator, Alan Hanscom, Administrator, Bureau of Highway Maintenance, and Danielle Chandonette, Director of Finance, Department of Transportation responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Leishman, seconded by Senator Rosenwald, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Transportation to transfer \$1,289,167 from the Highway Surplus Account through June 30, 2026. MOTION ADOPTED. (10-Yes; 0-No)

MISCELLANEOUS:

REGULAR CALENDAR

FIS 26-102 Office of Legislative Budget Assistant – On a motion by Senator Gray, seconded by Senator Birdsell, that the Committee approve the request of the Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, pursuant to the Fiscal Committee Rules and Procedures adopted on January 30, 2025, for approval to fill one position. MOTION ADOPTED. (10-Yes; 0-No)

INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS:

The Committee wished to remind the Attorney General they asked him to attend the next meeting along with the new Claims Administrator, for the YDC Claims Administration and Settlement Fund, to provide a status update.

Representative Leishman thanked the NH Liquor Commission and the Office of LBA for providing; FIS 25-140 NH Lottery Commission – RSA 284:21-h, VII – Quarterly report on the status of the incentive employee recognition program for the sale of four different game segments for the second quarter of FY 2025.

The informational items were accepted and placed on file.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The next regular meeting of the Fiscal Committee was scheduled for Friday, June 19, 2026 at 11:00 a.m. to be held at Granite Place.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.



Representative Keith Erf, Clerk