

**HOUSE FINANCE DIVISION II
RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO HB 1 / HB 2
THROUGH MARCH 24, 2025**

HB 1 ("BACK OF THE BUDGET" SECTIONS ONLY)			
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723	2	General Fund, Education Trust Fund, and Total Appropriation Limits <i>(Erf Amendment 1346h, pg 10)</i>	
724	4	Lottery Commission; Authority Granted	Accept
724	5	Positions Abolished <i>(Erf Amendment 1348h, pg 11)</i>	

HB 2			
Page(s)	Section(s)	Description	Action
12-13	17-18	Education - School District Cell Phone Use Policy	Adopt (1190h)
25	21-22	Education - Education Freedom Account Program; Eligible Student Expansion	Adopt (1075h)
39-40	65-69	Lottery - State Lottery and Gaming Commission and Video Lottery Terminals	Adopt (1331h, pg 12)
42	70	Safety - Northern Shield (Program Funding and Uses)	Adopt (1215h)
46	81	CCSNH - Dual and Concurrent Enrollment Program Credits Per Course	Delete (0957h)
54	120	Education - Uses of the Education Trust Fund	Adopt (1294h)
55	121	Education - Chartered Public Schools Funding	Adopt (1153h)
55	122	Education - Chartered Public Schools Funding - VLACS Payment Schedule	Accept
55	123	Education - Determination of Education Grants	Accept
62	143-144	Police Standards and Training - Extra Duty Functions	Delete (0945h)
63	145-146	Safety - FY 2026 General Fund Lapse to Fire Standards and Training and Emergency Medical Services Fund	Accept
63	147	Safety - Driver License Related Prohibition	Accept
63	148	Safety - Driver History Records Related Prohibition	Accept
63	149	Safety - Division of Emergency Services and Communications Enhanced 911 Systems Fund Uses	Delete (1248h)
63	150	Safety - Hazard Materials Incident Response Coordinator Group II Eligibility	Accept
64	151	Safety - Emergency Medical and Trauma Services Policy and Purpose	Amend (1113h)
64	152	Safety - Chief of Policy and Planning Group II Eligibility	Accept
72	178	Lottery - Authority Granted for Ticket Acquisition	Delete (0892h)
72	179	Lottery - Maximum Ticket Price Increase (\$30 to \$50)	Accept
72	180-181	Business Profits Tax and Business Enterprise Tax Distribution of Funds	
72	182	Tobacco Tax Distribution of Funds	Accept
73	183	Tax on Transfer of Real Property Distribution of Funds	Accept
73-74	189-190	Safety - Move Mechanical Licensing and Electrician Inspectors From OPLC to Division of Fire Safety	Accept

OTHER HB 2 AMENDMENTS		Description	Action
		Education - Eliminate Fiscal Committee Approval for Public School Infrastructure Grants	Adopt (1156h)
		Education - Establishing Tax /Appropriation Cap on Local School Districts (HB 675)	Adopt (1082h)
		Education - Lapse Computer Science Appropriation on June 30, 2025 to General Fund (\$2.5M)	Adopt (1180h)
		Education - Requiring State Assessment Portal for Naturalization Exam Graduation Requirement	Adopt (1154h)
		Education - Special Education Audit Requirement	Adopt (1157h)
		Fish and Game - Various Changes to Dedicated Accounts	Adopt (1264h)
		Safety - Division of Fire Safety Retirement System Group II Membership	Adopt (1112h)

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OTHER HB 2 AMENDMENTS	
Description	Action
Safety - New Resident Driver License Transfer Requirements (HB 133)	<i>Adopt (1194h)</i>
Safety - Passenger Vehicle Inspection Repeal (HB 649)	<i>Adopt (1092h)</i>
Transportation - Restrict Revenue Relating to Public-Private Partnership Agreements	<i>Adopt (1093h)</i>
Education - Evidence Based Within Public Education (HB 129)	<i>Adopt (1189h)</i>
Education - Special Education Aid (Formerly Catastrophic Aid) (HB 773)	<i>Adopt (1270h)</i>
Education - State Adequacy Grants (HB 563)	<i>Adopt (1269h)</i>
Safety - Increase Vanity Plate Fee from \$40 to \$60	<i>Adopt (1265h)</i>
Safety - Division of Motor Vehicles Fee Increases	<i>Adopt (1203h)</i>
USNH - Use NH Excellence in Higher Education Endowment Trust Fund for USNH Support	<i>Adopt (0862h)</i>
Lottery - Repeal of Local Option for Keno <i>(McGuire Amendment 1304h, pg 18)</i>	
Education - Transfer of Education Trust Fund Surplus to General Fund at Fiscal Year End <i>(Erf Amendment 1341h, pg 19)</i>	

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INCREASES / (DECREASES) TO CONSIDER FROM GOVERNOR'S BUDGET
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		SOF	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	TOTAL
	Additional Prioritized Needs / Requests / Other Changes					
1	Safety - Northern Border Alliance Fund (HB 2)	GF	\$ -	\$ 600,000	\$ -	\$ 600,000
2	Fish and Game - General Fund Support (AU 7887)	GF	\$ -	\$ 1,349,103	\$ 1,348,513	\$ 2,697,616
3a	Transportation - Retention Incentive Program (AU 2928) (DOT)	HWY	\$ -	\$ 3,500,000	\$ 3,500,000	\$ 7,000,000
3b	Transportation - Retention Incentive Program (AU 2928) (Erf)	HWY	-	1,750,000	1,750,000	3,500,000
4	Transportation - Equipment Replacement Program (AU 3007)	HWY	-	5,300,000	4,500,000	9,800,000
5a	Transportation - Winter Maintenance (AU 2928) (DOT)	HWY	-	7,600,000	7,600,000	15,200,000
5b	Transportation - Winter Maintenance (AU 2928) (Erf)	HWY	-	3,800,000	3,800,000	7,600,000
6a	Transportation - Transit Operating Match (AU 2916) (DOT)	GF	-	1,680,794	1,680,794	3,361,588
6b	Transportation - Transit Operating Match (AU 2916) (Murray/Erf)	GF	-	1,500,000	1,500,000	3,000,000
7	Transportation - Transit Restricted P3 Revenue (AU 2050 / HB 2)	OTH	-	52,750	78,000	130,750
8	Transportation - Adjust "Apportionment A" and Construction Lines to Reflect Estimated Revenue (AU 2943/3039/8910)	HWY	\$ -	TBD	TBD	TBD
		OTH	-	TBD	TBD	TBD
		TOT	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
9	Education - Learning Platform (AU 2503)	GF	\$ -	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 3,000,000
10	Education - State Testing (AU 3478)	ETF	-	1,500,000	1,500,000	3,000,000
11	Education - State Assessment Administrator (AU 7064)	GF	-	84,262	87,171	171,433
12	Education - Remove 10 New Positions No Longer Needed (AU 2550)	FED	-	(856,061)	(897,817)	(1,753,878)
13a	Education - Abolish Four (4) Existing Vacant Positions (HB 1 - Various AUs)	GF	-	(436,297)	(457,590)	(893,887)
13b	Education - Abolish 19 Existing Vacant Positions (HB 1 - Various AUs)	FED	-	(1,719,709)	(1,785,694)	(3,505,403)
14a	Education - Existing Charter School Aid at NHED Estimate (AU 3445)	ETF	\$ -	\$ 4,141,268	\$ 6,155,229	\$ 10,296,497
14b	Education - Existing/Approved New Charter School Aid at NHED Estimate (AU 3445)	ETF	-	9,412,348	11,639,260	21,051,608
14c	Education - Existing/All New Charter School Aid at NHED Estimate (AU 3445)	ETF	-	9,412,348	16,812,579	26,224,927
14d	Education - Fund Charter Schools at \$73.5M/\$78.0M (AU 3445)	ETF	-	6,677,186	9,841,730	16,518,916
15	Education - Fund EFA Grants NHED at Estimate (AU 3446)	ETF	-	5,395,023	-	5,395,023
16a	Education - Fund EFA Phase-Out Grants NHED at Estimate (AU 3447)	ETF	-	476,759	901,294	1,378,053
16b	Education - Fund EFA Phase-Out Grants NHED at \$1.1M/\$1.0M (AU 3447)	ETF	-	350,000	625,000	975,000
17	Education - New Full-Day Kindergarten Programs (Surplus Statement)	ETF	-	500,000	700,000	1,200,000
18	Lottery - Security System Upgrade (AU 2028)	OTH	\$ -	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ 100,000
19	Lottery - ADA Building Improvements (AU 2028)	OTH	-	30,000	-	30,000
20a	PSTC - Unfund Position #18241 and Reduce Training (AU 8980/6639)	GF	\$ -	\$ (105,059)	\$ (110,235)	\$ (215,294)
20b	and Fund IT Position via Transfer to DoIT #14294 (AU 8980)	GF	-	105,059	110,235	215,294

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RECOMMENDED INCREASES / (DECREASES TO GOVERNOR'S BUDGET)
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	Date	Agency / Amendment	Description	Source of Funds	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	TOTAL
HB 1								
1	03/17/25	Education	Remove 10 New Positions Deemed No Longer Needed	FED	\$ -	\$ (856,061)	\$ (897,817)	\$ (1,753,878)
2	03/17/25	Education	Abolish 19 Vacant Federal Funded Positions	FED	-	(1,719,709)	(1,785,694)	\$ (3,505,403)
3	03/17/25	Police Standards	Unfund Admin Position (#18241)	GF	-	(105,059)	(110,235)	\$ (215,294)
			Fund IT Manager Position (#14294) at DoIT	GF	-	105,059	110,235	\$ 215,294
4	03/18/25	Transportation	Budget Restricted P3 Agreement Revenue	OTH	-	52,750	78,000	\$ 130,750
5	03/18/25	Education	Abolish Four (4) Vacant General Funded Positions	GF	-	(436,297)	(457,590)	\$ (893,887)
6	03/18/25	CCSNH	Reduce Overall Appropriation and Add Budget Footnote Identifying Funds for the Dual and Concurrent Enrollment and Math Learning Communities Programs	GF	\$ -	\$ 1,790,908	\$ 140,908	\$ 1,931,816
				ETF	-	(3,000,000)	(3,000,000)	\$ (6,000,000)
				<i>Subtotal</i>	\$ -	\$ (1,209,092)	\$ (2,859,092)	\$ (4,068,184)
7	03/19/25	Education	Move Assessment Administrator Position (#41150) from AU 3059 to AU 7064, and Change Funding from 100% Federal to 50% Federal and 50% General Fund	GF	\$ -	\$ 85,003	\$ 87,124	\$ 172,127
				FED	-	(85,003)	(87,124)	\$ (172,127)
				<i>Subtotal</i>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
8	03/21/25	Education	Remove Funding for Cell Phone Free Education Grants (HB 781)	ETF	-	(1,000,000)	-	\$ (1,000,000)
9	03/21/25	Fish and Game	Fund Environmental Review Position (#9T3158)	F&G	\$ -	\$ 44,813	\$ 94,443	\$ 139,256
				FED	-	44,813	-	\$ 44,813
				<i>Subtotal</i>	\$ -	\$ 89,626	\$ 94,443	\$ 184,069
10	03/21/25	Fish and Game	Increase Transfer to Department of Information Technology (DoIT)	F&G	-	637,527	-	\$ 637,527
11	03/21/25	Fish and Game	Eliminate Six (6) Seasonal Part-Time Positions and Establish One (1) New Full-Time Position (Net Impact Shown)	F&G	\$ -	\$ (12,439)	\$ (11,383)	\$ (23,822)
				FED	-	30,395	33,562	\$ 63,957
				<i>Subtotal</i>	\$ -	\$ 17,956	\$ 22,179	\$ 40,135
12	03/21/25	Fish and Game	Eliminate Sale of Fish Food Accounting Unit (2131)	OTH	-	(4,500)	(4,500)	\$ (9,000)
13	03/21/25	Safety	Make Communications Section (AU 4001) 50% E-911 Fund and 50% General Fund	GF	\$ -	\$ 1,440,431	\$ 1,479,220	\$ 2,919,651
				OTH	-	(1,440,431)	(1,479,220)	\$ (2,919,651)
				<i>Subtotal</i>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
14	03/24/25	Transportation	Add Funds for Public Transit Operating Match (AU 2916)	GF	\$ -	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 3,000,000
15	03/24/25	Transportation	Add Funds for DOT Retention Incentive Program (AU 2928)	HWY	-	1,750,000	1,750,000	\$ 3,500,000
16	03/24/25	Transportation	Add Funds for Winter Maintenance (AU 2928)	HWY	-	3,800,000	3,800,000	\$ 7,600,000
17	03/24/25	Safety	Abolish Eight (8) Positions Relative to MV Inspection Repeal (HB 649)	HWY	\$ -	\$ (325,631)	\$ (667,860)	\$ (993,491)
				GF	-	(108,544)	(222,620)	\$ (331,164)
				<i>Subtotal</i>	\$ -	\$ (434,175)	\$ (890,480)	\$ (1,324,655)
18	03/24/25	Safety	Reduce General Funds and Increase Highway Funds in the Division of State Police (AUs 4010, 4011, and 4565)	HWY	\$ -	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 6,000,000
				GF	\$ -	\$ (3,000,000)	\$ (3,000,000)	\$ (6,000,000)
19	03/24/25	Education	Abolish One (1) Permanent and Three (3) Temp Positions (AU 2171)	GF	\$ -	\$ (554,821)	\$ (572,788)	\$ (1,127,609)
20	03/24/25	Education	Reduce Out-of-State Travel Relative to Position #45031	GF	-	(6,800)	(6,800)	\$ (13,600)
21	03/24/25	Education	Reduce Robotics Fund Appropriations (AU 4021)	GF	-	(266,179)	(266,179)	\$ (532,358)

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	Date	Agency / Amendment	Description	Source of Funds	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	TOTAL
22	03/24/25	Education	Reduce State Non-Match in Adult Education (AU 4039)	GF	-	(834,000)	(834,000)	\$ (1,668,000)
23	03/24/25	Education	Reduce Funding in Office of Early Childhood Ed (AU 3474)	GF	-	(59,735)	(59,735)	\$ (119,470)
24	03/24/25	Education	Reduce Funding for DoIT Position #18877 (AU 4275)	GF	-	(137,479)	(137,479)	\$ (274,958)
25	03/24/25	Education	Move Eight (8) Accounting Units from Education Trust Fund to General Fund	GF	-	88,762,521	86,065,291	\$ 174,827,812
				ETF	-	(88,762,521)	(86,065,291)	\$ (174,827,812)
26	03/24/25	Education	Increase Charter School Line to Align With Estimated Cost (AU 3445)	ETF	-	6,677,186	9,841,730	\$ 16,518,916
27	03/24/25	Education	Increase Phase Out Grant Line to Align With Estimated Cost (AU 3447)	ETF	-	350,000	625,000	\$ 975,000
28	03/24/25	Transportation	Transportation - Adjust "Apportionment A" and Construction Lines to Reflect Estimated Revenue (AU 2943/3039/8910)	HWY	-	TBD	TBD	TBD
				OTH	-	TBD	TBD	TBD
HB 2								
29	03/21/25	1264h	Transfer From Restricted Accounts to Fish and Game Fund	F&G-REV	\$ 1,350,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,350,000
			Fee Increases Directed to Fish and Game Fund	F&G-REV	-	382,500	765,000	\$ 1,147,500
30	03/21/25	1180h	Lapse Computer Science Appropriation to General Fund	GF-REV	2,500,000	-	-	\$ 2,500,000
31	03/24/25	Safety/1203h	Increase Motor Vehicle Fees	HWY-REV	-	15,000,000	30,000,000	\$ 45,000,000
32	03/24/25	Safety/1265h	Increase Vanity Plate Fee	GF-REV	-	2,062,653	4,125,307	\$ 6,187,960
Surplus Statement								
33	03/19/25	Education	Account for Bedford Full-Day Kindergarten	ETF	\$ -	\$ 500,000	\$ 700,000	\$ 1,200,000
34	03/24/25	Lottery/1294h	Remove Lottery Revenue From ETF and Restrict to Adequacy Grants	ETF-REV	-	(172,900,000)	(172,900,000)	\$ (345,800,000)
TOTALS				<i>GF</i>	\$ -	\$ 88,175,008	\$ 83,715,352	\$ 171,890,360
				<i>ETF</i>	\$ -	\$ (85,235,335)	\$ (77,898,561)	\$ (163,133,896)
				<i>HWY</i>	\$ -	\$ 8,224,369	\$ 7,882,140	\$ 16,106,509
				<i>F&G</i>	\$ -	\$ 669,901	\$ 83,060	\$ 752,961
				<i>FED</i>	\$ -	\$ (2,585,565)	\$ (2,737,073)	\$ (5,322,638)
				<i>OTHER</i>	\$ -	\$ (1,392,181)	\$ (1,405,720)	\$ (2,797,901)
				TOTAL	\$ -	\$ 7,856,197	\$ 9,639,198	\$ (327,104,605)
				<i>GF-REV</i>	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 2,062,653	\$ 4,125,307	\$ 8,687,960
				<i>ETF-REV</i>	\$ -	\$ (172,900,000)	\$ (172,900,000)	\$ (345,800,000)
				<i>HWY-REV</i>	\$ -	\$ 15,000,000	\$ 30,000,000	\$ 45,000,000
<i>F&G-REV</i>	\$ 1,350,000	\$ 382,500	\$ 765,000	\$ 2,497,500				

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		SOF	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	TOTAL
<i>Bills - Work Session Completed</i>						
21	HB 129 - "Evidence-Based" Within Public Education					
			House Finance Retained (03/17/25), See HB 2 Amendment 1189h			
22	HB 133 - New Resident Driver License Transfer Requirements					
			House Finance Retained, Added to HB 2 (1194h)			
23	HB 494 - CCSNH Math Learning Communities					
			House Finance OTPA (03/17/25), Funding Part of CCSNH HB 1 Budget			
24	HB 671 - Kindergarten Literacy Readiness Program					
			House Finance Retained (03/17/25)			
25	HB 716 - CCSNH Dual and Concurrent Enrollment					
			House Finance Retained (03/17/25), Addressed as Part of CCSNH Budget			
26	HB 563 - Calculation of Adequate Education Grants					
			Recommended Retain (03/18/25), See HB 2 Amendment #1269h			
27	HB 675 - Limit on School District Appropriations					
			Recommended Retain (03/18/25), Added to HB 2 (1082h)			
28	HB 713 - Mile Markers on Route 112					
			Recommended OTP (03/18/25)			
29	HB 773 - Special Education (Cat) Aid					
			Recommended Retain (03/18/25), See HB 2 Amendment #1270h			
30	HB 781 - School Cell Phone Policy					
			Recommended OTP (03/21/25), Funding Removed from HB 1			
31	HB 115 - Education Freedom Account Eligibility					
			Recommended OTP (03/22/25), Funding in HB 1 to be determined			
<i>Bills - House Passed, Not Referred to Finance (For Informational Purposes)</i>						
32	HB 739 - Excess SWEPT No Longer Retained Locally	ETF				
			Reduces Adequacy Grants by \$28.6M in FY 2027			
33	HB 763 - School Emergency Plans for Sports Related Injuries	GF				
			Appropriates \$80K in each FY 2026 and FY 2027			
<i>Other Items</i>						
34	Fish and Game - Fund Environmental Review Position (AU 2475)	F&G	\$ -	\$ 44,813	\$ 94,443	\$ 139,256
		FED	-	44,813	-	44,813
		TOT	\$ -	\$ 89,626	\$ 94,443	\$ 184,069
35	Fish and Game - Information Technology Increase	F&G	\$ -	\$ 637,527	\$ -	\$ 637,527
36	Fish and Game - Eliminate Six (6) Seasonal PT Positions and Fund One (1) New Position (Net Difference Presented) (AU 2130/2132)	F&G	\$ -	\$ (12,439)	\$ (11,383)	\$ (23,822)
		FED	-	30,395	33,562	63,957
		TOT	\$ -	\$ 17,956	\$ 22,179	\$ 40,135
37	Fish and Game - Eliminate Sale of Fish Food Account (AU 2131)	OTH	\$ -	\$ (4,500)	\$ (4,500)	\$ (9,000)
38	Education - Eliminate School Cell Phone Policy Grant (AU 4076)	ETF	\$ -	\$ (1,000,000)	\$ -	\$ (1,000,000)

**HOUSE FINANCE DIVISION II
ESTIMATE OF LOTTERY REVENUES (FY 2025 - FY 2027)**

1	HOUSE BASE LOTTERY REVENUES	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
2	TOTAL	\$180,000,000	\$172,900,000	\$172,900,000
3				
4	BASE REVENUE ESTIMATES PROVIDED BY LOTTERY	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
5	Instant Games	\$ 67,000,000	\$ 65,300,000	\$ 65,300,000
6	Draw Based Games	41,000,000	38,000,000	38,000,000
7	Keno	13,000,000	12,000,000	12,000,000
8	Sports Betting	37,000,000	33,400,000	33,400,000
9	Games of Chance	3,000,000	2,500,000	2,500,000
10	Historic Horse Racing	29,000,000	33,800,000	33,800,000
11	TOTAL	\$ 190,000,000	\$ 185,000,000	\$ 185,000,000
12				
13	POTENTIAL DIVISION II REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
14	Accept Lottery Commission Revised Base Revenue Estimates	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 12,100,000	\$ 12,100,000
15				
16	HB 2, Section 179 (Max Ticket \$30 to \$50)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000,000
17				
18	Repeal Keno Local Option (Amendment #1304h)	\$ -	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 10,000,000
19				
20	HHR/VLT (Amendment #1331h)			
21	<i>HHR Revenue</i>			
22	New HHR Estimate	\$ 29,000,000	\$ 26,690,625	\$ 8,896,875
23	(Less: Base HHR Estimate)	(29,000,000)	(33,800,000)	(33,800,000)
24	Net HHR Adjustment	\$ -	\$ (7,109,375)	\$ (24,903,125)
25	VLT Revenue	\$ -	\$ 75,332,578	\$ 120,532,125
26	Total Revenue Adjustment Amendment #1331h	\$ -	\$ 68,223,203	\$ 95,629,000
27				
28	TOTAL POTENTIAL ADJUSTMENTS	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 82,323,203	\$ 118,729,000
29				
30	POTENTIAL DIVISION II LOTTERY REVENUE ESTIMATE	\$190,000,000	\$255,223,203	\$291,629,000

HB 1 Amendment - Representative Erf

Item #1 - State Adequacy Grants						
Department/Division: Department of Education Accounting Unit: 3043 (Education Trust Fund)* Governor Recommended Budget Page #: 1173						
Description	FY 2026			FY 2027		
	Gov Rec	Change	Revised Budget	Gov Rec	Change	Revised Budget
Expenditure Class						
079 Adequate Education Aid - State	\$ 1,080,465,156	\$ -	\$ 1,080,465,156	\$ 1,082,217,723	\$ 28,124,131	\$ 1,110,341,854
TOTAL	\$ 1,080,465,156	\$ -	\$ 1,080,465,156	\$ 1,082,217,723	\$ 28,124,131	\$ 1,110,341,854
Source of Funds						
Education Trust Fund	\$ 1,080,465,156	\$ (225,223,203)	\$ 855,241,953	\$ 1,082,217,723	\$ (263,504,869)	\$ 818,712,854
Restricted Lottery Revenue	-	255,223,203	255,223,203	-	291,629,000	291,629,000
TOTAL	\$ 1,080,465,156	\$ 30,000,000	\$ 1,110,465,156	\$ 1,082,217,723	\$ 28,124,131	\$ 1,110,341,854
Reflects the net cost of amendment #2025-1269h (HB 563) and restriction of Lottery revenue to only be used for state adequacy grants (#2025-1294h)						
* Will be moved to new accounting unit as this will be for just state adequacy grants and not the entire education trust fund.						

Item #2 - Education Freedom Accounts						
Department/Division: Department of Education Accounting Unit: 3446 (Education Freedom Accounts) Governor Recommended Budget Page #: 1174						
Description	FY 2026			FY 2027		
	Gov Rec	Change	Revised Budget	Gov Rec	Change	Revised Budget
Expenditure Class						
073 Grants Non Federal	\$ 29,455,909	\$ 6,544,091	\$ 36,000,000	\$ 44,069,309	\$ 10,930,691	\$ 55,000,000
TOTAL	\$ 29,455,909	\$ 6,544,091	\$ 36,000,000	\$ 44,069,309	\$ 10,930,691	\$ 55,000,000
Source of Funds						
Education Trust Fund	\$ 29,455,909	\$ 6,544,091	\$ 36,000,000	\$ 44,069,309	\$ 10,930,691	\$ 55,000,000
TOTAL	\$ 29,455,909	\$ 6,544,091	\$ 36,000,000	\$ 44,069,309	\$ 10,930,691	\$ 55,000,000
Reflects the estimated cost for the incorporation of HB 115 (EFA eligibility) into HB 2.						

HB 1 Amendment - University System of New Hampshire (Representative Erf)

Department/Division: University System of New Hampshire
 Accounting Unit: 1855 (University System of New Hampshire)
 Governor Recommended Budget Page #: 1188

Description	FY 2026			FY 2027		
	Gov Rec	Change	Revised Budget	Gov Rec	Change	Revised Budget
Expenditure Class						
010 PERSONAL SERVICES PERM CLASS	\$ 91,240,582	\$ -	\$ 91,240,582	\$ 91,240,582	\$ -	\$ 91,240,582
TOTAL	\$ 91,240,582	\$ -	\$ 91,240,582	\$ 91,240,582	\$ -	\$ 91,240,582
Source of Funds						
GENERAL FUND	\$ 91,240,582	\$ (15,000,000)	\$ 76,240,582	\$ 91,240,582	\$ (15,000,000)	\$ 76,240,582
009 Agency Income*	-	15,000,000	15,000,000	-	15,000,000	15,000,000
TOTAL	\$ 91,240,582	\$ -	\$ 91,240,582	\$ 91,240,582	\$ -	\$ 91,240,582

* From NH Excellence in Higher Education Endowment Trust Fund (HB 2 amendment #2025-0862h)

Amendment to HB 1-A

1 Amend the bill by replacing section 2 with the following:

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3 2 General Fund and Total Appropriation Limits. The amounts included in section 1 for all
4 university system accounts and community college system accounts, under estimated source of funds
5 from general funds, shall be the total appropriation from general funds for such accounting units
6 that may be expended for the purpose of section 1 of this act. Any funds received by said systems
7 from other than general funds are hereby appropriated for the use of the systems and may be
8 expended by said systems whether or not this will result in an appropriation and expenditure by the
9 system in excess of the total appropriation therefor.

UNAPPROVED

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1 Amend the bill by replacing section 5 with the following:

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3 5 Positions Abolished.

4 I. Department of Education; Positions Abolished. Position numbers 41235, 16952, 13220,
5 44969, 44970, 44973, 42775, 13118, 8T3183, 8T3196, 8T3197, 13074, 13102, 40568, 40569, 40574,
6 41232, 44687, 9T3008, 44593, 45031, 44965, 44966, 44173, 9T2894, 9T2964, and 9T2965, are hereby
7 abolished at the close of business on June 30, 2025.

8 II. Department of Safety; Positions Abolished. Position numbers 43692, 43700, 43701,
9 43702, 43703, 43704, 43705, and 42706, are hereby abolished at the close of business on December
10 31, 2025.

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Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

1 Amend the bill by replacing sections 66-69 with the following:

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3 66 Games of Chance; Definition of High Stakes Tournament. Amend RSA 287-D:1 by inserting
4 after paragraph IX the following new paragraph:

5 IX-a. "High-Stakes Tournament" means a tournament of a game of chance in which the
6 required buy-in for participation in the tournament is \$2,500 or greater.

7 67 Games of Chance; Definitions. Amend RSA 287-D:1, XII to read as follows:

8 XII. ***"Video lottery terminal" or "VLT" means any device which, upon payment of***
9 ***bills, coins or vouchers, is available to play or operate and may entitle the patron to receive***
10 ***cash, vouchers, or electronic credits redeemable for cash. The results, including options***
11 ***available to the patron, are randomly determined by the device. A device may use spinning***
12 ***reels or video displays or both. This definition does not include any device that sells lottery***
13 ***tickets, pari-mutuel wagers, nor any device which is operated through, utilizes, or is played***
14 ***on or with assistance from the Internet.***

15 XIII. "Wager" means a monetary agreement between 2 or more persons that a sum of money
16 or other valuable thing shall be paid to one of them on the happening or not happening of an
17 uncertain event. Wager may be used synonymously with the term "bet."

18 XIV. ***"Wide-Area Progressive Link" means a networked gaming system that connects***
19 ***electronic gaming devices located at multiple licensed gaming establishments to a common***
20 ***progressive jackpot pool, allowing for contributions from each linked machine, regardless***
21 ***of location, to incrementally increase a shared jackpot prize, which can be won by any***
22 ***eligible player participating on any of the linked devices.***

23 68 Games of Chance; Rulemaking. Amend RSA 287-D:3, XVII to read as follows:

24 XVII. ***The licensing and enforcement of VLT licensees, terminals, and compliance***
25 ***requirements under RSA 287-J.***

26 XVIII. Other matters related to the proper administration of this chapter.

27 69 New Section; Games of Chance; High-Stakes Tournaments. Amend RSA 287-D by inserting
28 after section 3 the following new section:

29 287-D:3-a High-Stakes Tournaments. A licensed game operator employer may conduct a high-
30 stakes game of Chance Tournament provided that:

31 I. The tournament is held at a facility licensed to conduct games of chance under RSA 287-

32 D.

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1 II. The tournament is conducted in accordance with the rules and procedures established by
2 the lottery commission.

3 III. The game operator submits the tournament structure, entry fees, rake structure, and
4 prize payout distribution to the lottery commission at least 30 days prior to the tournament start
5 date for approval.

6 IV. The tournament is conducted using approved dealers and equipment.

7 70 New Section; 24-Hour Gaming and Liquor Sales. Amend RSA 287-D by inserting after
8 section 4-a the following new section:

9 287-D:4-b 24-Hour Gaming and Liquor Sales. Any municipality may, by majority vote of its
10 legislative body, authorize gaming facilities licensed under this chapter to operate for up to 24 hours
11 per day. Such authorization may include the ability for such facilities to serve liquor for up to 24
12 hours per day, notwithstanding any other provision of law.

13 71 Games, Amusements, and Athletic Exhibitions; Games of Chance; Wagers. RSA 287-D:16 is
14 repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

15 287-D:16 Wagers. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no maximum wager shall apply
16 to any game of chance conducted under this chapter, or any historic horse race under RSA 284:22-b,
17 including table games, historic horse racing, and VLT wagers.

18 72 Games, Amusements, and Athletic Exhibitions; Games of Chance; Prizes. Amend RSA 287-
19 D:20 to read as follows:

20 287-D:20 Prizes.

21 I. In games where chips have no monetary value, ***except for high-stakes tournaments, as***
22 ***defined in RSA 287-D:1, XI-a***, 3 percent of all funds collected from players, less moneys used by
23 the lottery commission to fund authorized personnel expenses and related costs, shall be paid to the
24 state treasurer to be deposited into the special fund established in RSA 284:21-j. Such payments
25 shall be made once per month not later than the ~~5th~~ ***15th*** day of the month for the funds collected
26 in the previous month.

27 ***I-a. In high-stakes tournaments, as defined in RSA 287-D:1, XI-a, 5 percent of house***
28 ***winnings, after prizes paid, less moneys used by the lottery commission to fund authorized***
29 ***personnel expenses and related costs, shall be paid to the state treasurer to be deposited***
30 ***into the special fund established in RSA 284:21-j. Such payments shall be made once per***
31 ***month not later than the 15th day of the month for the funds collected in the previous***
32 ***month.***

33 II. In games where chips have monetary value, 10 percent of the rake or house winnings and
34 other moneys collected by the game operator that are not paid out as prizes to players, less moneys
35 used by the lottery commission to fund authorized personnel expenses and related costs, shall be
36 paid to the state treasurer for deposit into the special fund established in RSA 284:21-j. Such

1 payments shall be made once per month not later than the ~~5th~~ **15th** day of the month for the funds
2 collected in the previous month.

3 ***III. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the cash value of free bets and***
4 ***promotional credits of all table games, historic horse racing (HHR), and VLTs shall be***
5 ***exempted from revenues subject to charity allocation and payments to the state, so long as***
6 ***the cash value of such promotions for each type of game, whether it be table games, HHR,***
7 ***or VLTs, does not exceed 15 percent of the total revenue from that type of game for a given***
8 ***month.***

9 73 Games, Amusements, and Athletic Exhibitions; Games of Chance; Unlawful Gambling
10 Machines. RSA 287-D:26 is repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

11 287-D:26 Unlawful Gambling Machines. No person shall possess or operate any gambling
12 machine, slot machine, or other gaming device, unless specifically authorized under RSA 287-D or
13 RSA 284:22-b, or licensed by the lottery commission.

14 74 New Chapter; Video Lottery Terminals. Amend RSA by inserting after chapter 287-I the
15 following new chapter:

16 CHAPTER 287-J
17 VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS

18 287-J:1 Definitions.

19 For the purposes of this chapter these words shall have the following meaning:

20 I. "Applicant" means an individual or entity applying for a license under this chapter.

21 II. "Commission" means the lottery and gaming commission.

22 III. "Gross video lottery revenue" means the total of all sums actually received by a VLT
23 licensee from operation of video lottery terminals, minus the total of all sums actually paid out as
24 winnings to patrons.

25 IV. "Facility" means a facility licensed under RSA 287-D for the conduct of charitable
26 gaming.

27 V. "Video lottery terminal" or "VLT" means any device which, upon payment of bills, coins or
28 vouchers, is available to play or operate and may entitle the patron to receive cash, vouchers, or
29 electronic credits redeemable for cash. The results, including options available to the patron, are
30 randomly determined by the device. A device may use spinning reels or video displays or both. This
31 definition does not include any device that sells lottery tickets, pari-mutuel wagers, nor any device
32 which is operated through, utilizes, or is played on or with assistance from the Internet.

33 VI. "VLT license" means a license issued in accordance with this section, to offer video
34 lottery terminals to the public.

35 VII. "VLT licensee" means a game operator employer licensee that has been granted a VLT
36 license under this section.

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1 VIII. "Voucher" means a printed wagering instrument, issued by a video lottery terminal at
2 a facility, that has a fixed dollar wagering value which can only be used to acquire an equivalent
3 value of cashable credits or cash.

4 287-J:2 Enforcement. The commission, with the assistance of the attorney general and the chief
5 of police of any city or town where licensed facilities are located, shall administer and enforce the
6 provisions of this chapter. To enforce the requirements of this chapter, the commission may exercise
7 all rights of enforcement, including but not limited to its subpoena power, investigation authority,
8 and authority to issue administrative orders and fines, granted to the commission by RSA 287-D.

9 287-J:3 Rulemaking. The commission shall adopt rules, pursuant to RSA 541-A, relative to:

- 10 I. The application procedure for VLT licenses for game operators.
11 II. Information to be required on VLT license applications for VLT licenses for game
12 operators.
13 III. The conducting and operation of video lottery terminals.
14 IV. Accountability controls to ensure game integrity, including, but not limited to, cash,
15 prizes, income, expense and financial reporting, and recordkeeping to be implemented by VLT
16 licensees in addition to requirements set forth in RSA 287-D:22.
17 V. Investigation and enforcement to ensure compliance with this chapter.
18 VI. Other matters related to the proper administration of this chapter.

19 287-J:4 Eligible Operators.

20 I. To be eligible for a VLT license, the applicant shall have been licensed or eligible for
21 licensure to sell pari-mutuel pools on historic horse races under RSA 287-D and under RSA 284:22-b
22 as of the effective date of this chapter. A license shall not be permitted to be transferred or sold.

23 II. Applicants eligible to obtain a VLT license pursuant to paragraph I of this section shall
24 submit to background, financial, and suitability checks pursuant to RSA 287-D:11 and RSA 287-
25 D:12, to ensure the applicant's ability to conduct video lottery terminals in accordance with the
26 provisions of RSA 287-D and this chapter. An entity found suitable for gaming by the commission as
27 of the effective date of this chapter shall satisfy paragraph I and RSA 284:22-b. The applicant for a
28 VLT license shall submit to the commission a criminal history records release form, as provided by
29 the division of state police, which authorizes the division of state police to conduct a criminal history
30 records check through its state records and through the Federal Bureau of Investigation and to
31 release a report of the applicant's criminal history and record information, including confidential
32 criminal history record information, to the commission. Floor space allocated to VLTs shall
33 represent no more than 70 percent of a facility's total gaming space.

34 287-J:5 Operation of Video Lottery Terminals.

35 I. Prior to use all VLTs shall have been tested by an independent testing laboratory and
36 approved by the commission to ensure integrity and proper working order.

37 II. There shall be no bet limit imposed on VLTs.

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1 III. No VLT shall be operated except within the facility of an eligible VLT licensee during
2 the facility's approved hours of play of charitable games.

3 IV. Floor space allocated to VLTs and to historic horse racing terminals, as authorized by
4 RSA 284:22-b, shall represent no more than 70 percent of a facility's total gaming space.

5 V. VLTs shall operate to ensure a minimum average daily aggregate payback of 88 percent
6 computed for all VLTs operated at each facility on a quarterly basis, except for machines that are
7 tied to a wide-area progressive link, which shall have minimum average daily aggregate payback of
8 80 percent. For historic horse racing pools authorized by RSA 284:22-b tied to a wide-area
9 progressive link, the commission on such pools shall be set at a rate no greater than 20 percent.

10 VI. VLTs shall operate pursuant to any other such characteristics as the commission may
11 establish by rule to safeguard the integrity of gaming in New Hampshire.

12 287-J:6 Revenue Share.

13 I. Each video lottery terminal licensee shall collect a tax equal to 30 percent of gross video
14 lottery revenue, less any free play offered by the operator, for distribution under paragraph II.

15 II.(a) Each licensee shall distribute 35 percent of the amount collected under paragraph I to
16 charitable organizations with whom the licensee contracts on each licensed game date. Each VLT
17 licensee shall contract with 2 licensed charitable organizations for each game date.

18 (b) The remainder of the total amount collected by the licensee under paragraph I shall
19 be paid to the commission and distributed as follows:

20 (1) 0.25 percent for payment of problem gaming services by the commission; and

21 (2) The remaining 64.75 percent restricted to accounting unit 06-56-56-560040-4079
22 in the department of education for the purpose of distributing state adequacy grants to public school
23 districts.

24 III. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the cash value of free
25 bets and promotional credits of all table games, historic horse racing, and VLTs shall be exempted
26 from revenues subject to charity allocation and payments to the state, so long as the cash value of
27 such promotions for each type of game, whether table games, historic horse racing, or VLTs, does not
28 exceed 15 percent of the total revenue from that type of game for a given month.

29 287-J:7 Unclaimed Vouchers.

30 I. Vouchers shall remain valid for 180 days from the date printed, after which the obligation
31 of the VLT licensee to pay the patron any value remaining on a voucher expires.

32 II. Before the end of each calendar month, the VLT licensee shall report and remit the total
33 value of vouchers that expired during the preceding calendar month in a format prescribed by the
34 commission.

35 III. Such moneys shall become a part of the special fund established in RSA 284:21-j.

36 287-J:8 Election of Central Monitory System or Audit.

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- 1 I. If the lottery commission elects to implement a central monitoring system for VLTs, the
2 state shall bear all associated costs, including any connectivity fees, service fees, or equipment fees.
- 3 II. If the state chooses not to implement a central monitoring system, the state shall be
4 responsible for conducting audits of VLT and associated costs.

UNAPPROVED

Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

1 1 Repeal. The following are repealed:

2 I. RSA 284:45, VI(a)(10), relative to allowing a licensed lottery retailer to allow the sale of
3 keno games in a city or town that has voted to allow for the operation of keno games.

4 II. RSA 284:45, VI(b), relative to the requirement that cities and towns document the keno
5 games they allow to operate.

6 III. RSA 284:51, relative to the local option allowing cities and towns to vote to allow the
7 operation of keno games in their communities.

AMENDED ANALYSIS

ADD:

1. Repeals the local option allowing cities and towns to vote to allow the operation of keno games in their communities.

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- 1 1 Education Trust Fund. Amend the section heading of RSA 198:39 to read as follows:
2 198:39 Education Trust Fund Created [~~and Invested~~].
3 2 Education Trust Fund. RSA 198:39, IV is repealed and reenacted to read as follows:
4 IV. At the close of each fiscal year, the state comptroller shall transfer any surplus
5 remaining in the education trust fund to the general fund.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

ADD:

1. Requires that any surplus in the education trust fund be transferred to the general fund at the end of each fiscal year.