

Floor Amendment to HB 536-FN

1 Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 AN ACT making temporary appropriations for the expenses and encumbrances of the state of
4 New Hampshire.

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6 Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

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8 1 Rate of Expenditures; State Agencies.

9 I.(a) Each state agency or state entity for which the general court appropriated funds for its
10 operating budget for fiscal year 2025 shall obligate additional funds for expenditures during the
11 period this act is in effect at a rate not in excess of 96 percent of 3/12 of, and for the same purposes
12 of, the appropriations for fiscal year 2025 contained in HB 1 of the 2023 regular legislative session
13 (2023, 106), with any authorized adjustments made to fiscal year 2025 appropriations as contained
14 in the October 1, 2024 agency budget submissions pursuant to RSA 9:4, I plus any additional
15 appropriation needs associated with payroll during the period of this act, unless due to an emergency
16 it shall be otherwise authorized by the governor with the advice and consent of the council with prior
17 approval of the fiscal committee of the general court. For the purposes of this act, the provisions of
18 HB 2 of the 2023 regular legislative session (2023,79) which relate to the 2024-2025 biennium shall
19 apply; and

20 (b) Enactment of this legislation shall constitute acceptance by the state of federal funds
21 in such amounts as under applicable state or federal law shall be necessary to give effect to the
22 provisions of this act and shall further constitute the appropriation of such state funds as under
23 federal law shall be required to be added to such federal funds as a condition of their transfer to the
24 state. The authorization provided in this act shall be deemed to be a budget within the meaning of
25 RSA 9; and

26 (c) Funds subject to obligation under this act shall be deemed subject to transfer under
27 the provisions of RSA 9:16 through 9:17-d, with prior approval of the fiscal committee of the general
28 court. The governor is authorized by and with the advice and consent of the council to draw
29 warrants for the sums necessary to discharge obligations authorized by this act out of any money in
30 the treasury not otherwise appropriated or, in the case of special funds, out of any such special
31 funds. Expenditures obligated under authority of this act shall be charges upon any appropriations
32 subsequently enacted with respect to identical purposes and periods.

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1 II. The provisions of RSA 9 inconsistent with the provisions of this act and the provisions of
2 any other statutes so inconsistent are hereby suspended to the extent of such inconsistencies during
3 the time this act is in effect. The state of New Hampshire hereby indemnifies any state official,
4 commissioner, trustee, or other person having control of public funds appropriated by the general
5 court for any liability personally incurred because of the provisions of RSA 9:19 and RSA 9:20 for
6 whatever period of time elapses from 12:01 a.m. July 1, 2025, until the time that the provisions of
7 this act making temporary appropriations become law.

8 2 Applicability. Section 1 of this act shall take effect July 1, 2025 and shall continue in effect
9 until an operating budget is enacted into law but in no event later than October 1, 2025.

10 3 Effective Date.

11 I. Section 1 of this act shall take effect as provided in section 2 of this act.

12 II. The remainder of this act shall take effect July 1, 2025.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill makes temporary appropriations for the expenses and encumbrances of the state of New Hampshire from July 1, 2025 until an operating budget is enacted but in no event later than October 1, 2025.