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Memorandum

To: The Honorable Marvin L. Abney
 Chairman, House Finance Committee

The Honorable William Conley, Jr.
 Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

From: Thomas A. Mullaney
 Executive Director/State Budget Officer

Date: March 29, 2017

Subject: Amendments to FY 2018 Appropriations Act (17-H-5175)

The Governor requests that several amendments be made to the FY 2018 Appropriations Act, which was submitted to the General Assembly on January 19, 2017. The amendments include changes to the appropriation amounts in Article 1, Relating to Making Appropriations in Support of FY 2018, and Article 10, relating to Making Revised Appropriations in Support of FY 2017. The amendments requested do not impact general revenue expenditures, except for a reallocation of expenditures totaling less than \$10,000 within the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. A description of the amendments requested is provided below.

If you have any questions regarding these amendments, please feel free to call me or my staff at 222-6300.

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 Attachments

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SECTION 9, FY 2018 FTE POSITION AUTHORIZATION

Page 36, Line 27: Strike the number “82.0” and replace with “76.0”. This modification downwardly revises Rhode Island College’s “sponsored research” FTE position authorization by 6.0 FTE positions, in concert with the planned redirection of financing for 6.0 FTE positions associated with the “Learning for Life” initiative from third-party (primarily federal) sources to institutional funding. Although this change is evidenced in the published personnel roster within the budget document entitled “Volume III- Education”, Article 1 was not updated to reflect this transfer. There is no modification to the College’s recommended aggregate FTE position authorization of 926.2.

ARTICLE 10, RELATING TO MAKING REVISED APPROPRIATIONS IN SUPPORT OF FY 2017

SECTION 1, REVISED APPROPRIATIONS IN SUPPORT OF FY 2017

Department of Administration

Insert in the General program after Line 12, Page 4 “RICAP – McCoy Stadium Repairs - \$107,750”. The increase reflects a shift of funding from FY 2018 to FY 2017 due to completion of the study and the need to pay final invoices in the current fiscal year.

Department of Business Regulation

Increase Restricted Receipts in the Banking Regulation program, Page 6, Line 18 by \$25,000 from \$50,000 to \$75,000. This increase in Banking Regulation’s reimbursement account will be used to pay dues and subscriptions for FY 2016 that will be paid in FY 2017 due to the tardiness of billing.

Decrease Restricted Receipts in the Commercial Licensing, Racing, and Athletics program, Page 7, Line 12 by \$470,000 from \$2,366,283 to \$1,896,283. This decrease is a result of the Department executing their contract with a vendor for the medical marijuana program and have indicated that the overall system cost will be less than originally estimated.

Department of Labor and Training

Increase Federal Funds in the Workforce Development Services program, Page 9, Line 22 by \$1,347,386 from \$32,723,482 to \$34,070,868. This increase will be used for a new grant the Department received called “America’s Promise.” America’s Promise grants are designed to accelerate the development and expansion of regional workforce partnerships committed to providing a pipeline of skilled workers in specific sectors.

Increase Other Funds in the Workforce Development Services program, Page 9, Line 24 by \$26,787 from \$4,247,794 to \$4,274,581. This increase will be used to reflect actual cash the Department received from the Social Security Administration for achieving “Ticket to Work” Milestones. The Ticket to Work Program is a free and voluntary program available to people ages 18 through 64 who are blind or have a disability and who receive

Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits.

Department of Children, Youth, and Families

Insert in the Juvenile Correctional Services program on Page 16, after Line 21 "Restricted Receipts - \$38,700". The increase reflects a grant received from the Rhode Island Foundation to the Juvenile Corrections Program within DCYF to pilot a blended, personalized learning program with a subset of students at the Rhode Island Training School for the 2016-2017 school year.

Department of Health

Increase Federal Funds in the Policy, Information and Communications program, Page 18, Line 20 by \$81,000 from \$1,965,667 to \$2,046,667. This increase is due to a one-time additional award from the federal government for the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System.

Department of Human Services

Increase Federal Funds in the Central Management program, Page 19, Line 16 by \$1,280,985 from \$3,938,876 to \$5,219,861. This increase is to account for the total grant award for the Community Services Block Grant. Carry forward funds are also being budgeted from the previous fiscal year.

Increase Federal Funds in the Individual and Family Support program, Page 19, Line 25 by \$770,500 from \$102,858,834 to \$103,629,334. This increase is to account for the total grant award for the Child Care Quality Earmarks grant.

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

Decrease General Revenues in the Administration of the Comprehensive Education Strategy program, Page 24, Line 20 by \$8,640 from \$20,645,193 to \$20,636,553. The general revenues are moving from the Administration of Comprehensive Education Strategy program (ACES) to the William M. Davies Vocational Technical School (Davies). Davies is now being allocated the Educator Quality Leadership Grant (\$8,640) from the ACES program.

Increase Restricted Receipts in the Administration of the Comprehensive Education Strategy program, Page 25, Line 3 by \$415,727 from \$1,264,259 to \$1,679,986. The increase reflects two new grants awarded to the Department from the Council of Chief State School Officers (\$350,000) and Nellie Mae (\$65,727). Both are nonprofit organizations.

Decrease General Revenues in the Education Aid program, Page 26, Line 11 by \$1,566 from \$845,923,695 to \$845,922,129. The general revenues are moving from the Education

Aid program to the William M. Davies Vocational Technical School (Davies). Davies is now being allocated the English Learners Categorical (\$1,566) from the Education Aid program.

Increase General Revenues in the Davies Career and Technical School program, Page 25, Line 12 by \$10,206 from \$12,590,093 to \$12,600,299. The general revenues are moving from both the Administration of Comprehensive Education Strategy program (ACES) and the Education Aid program, to the William M. Davies Vocational Technical School (Davies). Davies is now being allocated the Educator Quality Leadership Grant (\$8,640) and the English Learners Categorical (\$1,566) from the ACES and Education Aid programs.

Public Higher Education

Decrease Federal Funds in the Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner program, Page 27, Line 11 by \$1,859,500 from \$11,826,471 to \$9,966,971. This decrease represents two distinct revisions to the Office's FY 2017 federal appropriation: (1) A decrease of \$2,542,500 for the Title II Higher Education Partnership Grant, correcting a technical oversight within the Office's federal funds budget data and (2) An increase of \$683,000, recognizing available but unbudgeted proceeds from the College Access Challenge Grant.

Increase Other Funds, Tuition Savings Program - Dual Enrollment in the Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner program, Page 27, Line 17 by \$1,000,000 from \$1,300,000 to \$2,300,000. This increase accommodates a \$1.0 million current-year projected deficit within the Prepare RI dual and concurrent enrollment program, stemming from significantly higher-than-anticipated enrollment trends. This additional financing will be derived from the Division of Higher Education Assistance's share of fees collected from Rhode Island's CollegeBound Saver 529 tuition savings plan.

No change to Other Funds line item- "University and College Funds": Page 28, Line 13: Reallocation of \$11,161,648 in Operating Funds to Personnel. This is a technical amendment redirecting financing temporarily programmed within the category of operating back to personnel codes, as budgeted in the University's original submission. Since personnel roster and expense documentation initially supplied by the University did not comport with technical budget data as submitted, the Budget Office was required to shift the differential to an operating code until the source of the discrepancy could be further examined (thus maintaining the overall budget for institutionally-derived funds). It has since been determined that this financing is appropriately personnel-related, supporting various temporary and seasonal positions at the University. Please see the natural account detail accompanying this amendment for a detailed list of the required technical adjustments.

Judiciary

Increase Federal Funds in the Supreme Court program, Page 34, Line 26 by \$18,000 from \$122,343 to \$140,343. The increase reflects an award by the State Justice Institute of

\$36,000 in FY 2017 and FY 2018 to identify best practices and effective strategies regarding the transition and implementation of the Judiciary's new case management system.

Military Staff

Increase Counter Drug Asset Forfeiture Restricted Receipts, Page 36, Line 11 by \$378,000 from \$32,000 to \$410,000. The additional appropriations will allow the agency to purchase liquid chromatography mass spectrometer (LC MS) laboratory equipment using Google forfeiture funds. The equipment will be owned by the Military Staff, but primarily used by the RI Department of Health Forensic Toxicology Laboratory, to assist the law enforcement community in responding to the State's opioid abuse crisis.

Department of Public Safety

Increase Federal Funds in the Municipal Police Training Academy program, Page 37, Line 20 by \$115,945 from \$222,395 to \$338,340. The requested increase reflects receipt of additional funding, and projected FY 2017 expenditures, from the State and Community Highway Safety grant program.

Increase Restricted Receipts in the State Police program, Page 37, Line 25, by \$225,000 from \$19,547,219 to \$19,772,219. The requested increase reflects U.S. Department of Justice approval to expend Google, Inc. settlement funds for a diversity study. The study will assess the State Police's professional standards, discipline, diversity recruitment, and promotional practices to identify areas for improvement and to determine areas where the State Police unit is utilizing best practices.

Emergency Management Agency

Decrease Emergency Management Building Rhode Island Capital Plan Funds, Page 38, Line 19 by \$189,750. Due to procurement delays, funding for the Emergency Management Building design project is being shifted from FY 2017 to FY 2018. The agency anticipates the building design project will be completed during the fall of 2017.

Department of Environmental Management

Increase Restricted Receipts in the Natural Resources program, Page 39, Line 11 by \$250,000 from \$3,807,283 to \$4,057,283. An increase is requested for the Environmental Trust – Natural Resources restricted receipt account to be utilized for the renovation of the showers/bathrooms at Scarborough State Beach. The total construction cost is expected to be \$265,532 with a project completion date of June 15, 2017.

Department of Transportation

Increase Federal Funds in the Central Management program, Page 40, Line 24, by \$650,000 from \$8,702,611 to \$9,352,611. These funds are for the National Highway

Traffic Safety Administration National Priority Safety Programs (MAP-21 405). Additional grant funds are available for FY 2017.

Increase Federal Funds – Stimulus in the Infrastructure Engineering program, Page 41, Line 8 by \$7,500,000 from \$5,112,814 to \$12,612,814. These are stimulus funds from the Federal Railroad Administration for Kingston Station Track Capacity and Improvements, a project that had been delayed. The funding was inadvertently excluded from the submitted budget.

Increase Rhode Island Capital Plan Funds – Portsmouth Facility in the Infrastructure Maintenance program, Page 42, Line 1, by \$1,075,256 from \$2,273,444 to \$3,348,700. Construction on the Portsmouth Maintenance Facility has progressed more quickly than originally anticipated. Rhode Island Capital Plan Funds that were originally budgeted in FY 2018 (\$575,256) and FY 2019 (\$500,000) are now required in FY 2017.

SECTION 3, INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS

Insert after Line 10, Page 43 State Fleet Revolving Loan Fund in the amount of \$2,173,414. The amendment is for the grant to the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority for bus purchases that was inadvertently excluded from the budget act. The funding for this program was included in the database provided to House and Senate staff.

SECTION 4, FY 2017 FTE POSITION AUTHORIZATION

Increase FTE authorization for the Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner, Page 45, Line 1 by 10.0 FTE positions, from 27.0 FTE positions to 37.0 FTE Positions. This increase reflects the anticipated hiring of new administrative staff for the recently constructed Rhode Island Nursing Education Center (NEC) during the fourth quarter of FY 2017. Although the Governor's FY 2018 Budget includes these FTE positions in FY 2018, it was anticipated that OPC would utilize existing, unfilled FTE-position authority to accommodate those NEC staff members hired prior to July 1, 2017. However, due to the lack of sufficient vacant FTE-position authority at the Office, the Governor requests that the FY 2017 FTE-position ceiling be likewise increased by 10.0 FTE positions. Pursuant to Article 1, Section 10 of the FY 2017 Appropriations Act, the State Budget Officer will submit a written recommendation to the Governor, Speaker of the House, and the President of the Senate formally requesting this mid-year increase in the OPC staffing authorization.

Summary of Governor's Article 10, March Amendments to FY 2017 Supplemental (17-H-5175)

Department/Item	General Revenue	Federal Funds	Restricted Receipts	Other Funds	Total
Supplemental FY 2017 Recommend (Gov's Original Recommendation)	3,700,404,975	3,098,111,493	306,762,457	2,095,264,216	9,200,543,141
March Amendments					
Department of Administration Shift RICAP Funds for McCoy Stadium Repairs from FY 2018 to FY 2017	-	-	-	107,750	107,750
Department of Business Regulation Commercial Licensing, Racing & Athletics - Medical Marijuana Banking Regulation - Reimbursement Account	-	-	(470,000) 25,000	-	(470,000) 25,000
Department of Labor and Training Workforce Development Services - Ticket To Work Milestones Workforce Development Services - America's Promise	-	1,347,386	-	26,787	26,787 1,347,386
Department of Children, Youth, and Families Pilot Learning Program at Rhode Island Training School	-	-	38,700	-	38,700
Department of Health One time increase in Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System	-	81,000	-	-	81,000
Department of Human Services Grant award for Child Care Quality Earmarks is greater than budgeted Grant award for Community Service block grant is greater than budgeted and has carry forward funds from the previous fiscal year	-	770,500	-	-	770,500
Department of Elementary and Secondary Education ACES - Grant - Council of Chief State School Officers - Nonprofit ACES - Grant - Nellie Mae - Nonprofit ACES - Educator Quality and Certification Education Aid - English Learner Categorical Davies - Educator Quality Leadership Grant Davies - English Learners Categorical	-	-	350,000 65,727	-	350,000 65,727 (8,640) (1,566) 8,640 1,566
Public Higher Education Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner Prepare RI- Dual and Concurrent Enrollment Re-estimate Title II Higher Education Partnership Grant College Access Challenge Grant	-	(2,542,500) 683,000	-	1,000,000	1,000,000 (2,542,500) 683,000
University of Rhode Island Reallocate Operating Funds to Personnel	-	-	-	[\$11,161,648]	[\$11,161,648]
Judiciary Supreme Court - State Justice Institute Case Management Technical	-	18,000	-	-	18,000
Military Staff	-	-	-	-	-

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Department/Item	General Revenue	Federal Funds	Restricted Receipts	Other Funds	Total
Counter Drug Asset Forfeiture - Google expenditures	-	-	378,000	-	378,000
Department of Public Safety					
Municipal Police Training Academy - Grant Renewal	-	115,945	-	-	115,945
State Police - Diversity Study	-	-	225,000	-	225,000
Emergency Management Agency					
Shift RICAP EIMA building design funds to FY 2018	-	-	-	(189,750)	(189,750)
Department of Environmental Management					
Environmental Trust - Natural Resources	-	-	250,000	-	250,000
Department of Transportation					
Shift RICAP Portsmouth Facility funds from FY 2018 and FY 2019 to FY 2017	-	-	-	1,075,256	1,075,256
NHTSA MAP-21 405 - Additional Grant Funds Available	-	650,000	-	-	650,000
Add funds for Kingston Track Capacity and Platform Improvements (inadvertently excluded from submitted bu	-	7,500,000	-	-	7,500,000
Total - Governor's March Amendments to FY 2016 Supplemental	-	9,904,316	862,427	2,020,043	12,786,786
Total Recommended Expenditures	3,700,404,975	3,108,015,809	307,624,884	2,097,284,259	9,213,329,927
Internal Service Funds					
State Fleet Revolving Loan Fund (language only in appropriations act; database correct)	[2,173,414]				[2,173,414]

Governor's Article 10 March Amendments to FY 2017 Supplemental Appropriations (17-H-5175)

	Page No./ Line No.	FY 2017 Original Supplemental Submittal	Governor's March Amendments	FY 2017 Supplemental Recommend
Department of Administration				
General				
McCoy Stadium Repairs	Page 4, Insert after Line 12	0	107,750	107,750
Total - General	Page 4, Line 21	63,112,027	107,750	63,219,777
Grand Total - Administration	Page 6, Line 12	400,715,432	107,750	400,823,182
Department of Business Regulation				
Banking Regulation				
Restricted Receipts	Page 6, Line 18	50,000	25,000	75,000
Total - Banking Regulation	Page 6, Line 19	1,811,804	25,000	1,836,804
Commercial Licensing, Racing & Athletics				
Restricted Receipts	Page 7, Line 12	2,366,283	(470,000)	1,896,283
Total - Commercial Licensing, Racing & Athletics	Page 7, Line 14	3,238,385	(470,000)	2,768,385
Grand Total - Business Regulation	Page 7, Line 17	16,875,344	(445,000)	16,430,344
Department of Labor and Training				
Workforce Development Services				
Federal Funds	Page 9, Line 22	32,723,482	1,347,386	34,070,868
Other Funds	Page 9, Line 24	4,247,794	26,787	4,274,581
Total - Workforce Development Services	Page 9, Line 25	55,646,182	1,374,173	57,020,355
Grand Total - Labor and Training	Page 10, Line 17	444,584,790	1,374,173	445,958,963
Department of Children, Youth, and Families				
Juvenile Correctional Services				
Restricted Receipts	Page 16, Insert after Line 21	0	38,700	38,700
Total - Juvenile Correctional Services	Page 17, Line 3	23,894,243	38,700	23,932,943
Grand Total - Children, Youth, and Families	Page 17, Line 16	218,284,037	38,700	218,322,737
Department of Health				
Policy, Information and Communications				
Federal Funds	Page 18, Line 20	1,965,667	81,000	2,046,667
Total - Policy, Information and Communications	Page 18, Line 23	3,266,362	81,000	3,347,362
Grand Total - Health	Page 19, Line 3	169,940,915	81,000	170,021,915
Department of Human Services				
Central Management				
Federal Funds	Page 19, Line 16	3,938,876	1,280,985	5,219,861
Total - Central Management	Page 19, Line 18	8,357,441	1,280,985	9,638,426
Individual and Family Support				
Federal Funds	Page 19, Line 25	102,858,834	770,500	103,629,334
Total - Individual and Family Support	Page 20, Line 7	134,898,420	770,500	135,668,920
Grand Total - Human Services	Page 21, Line 16	620,615,953	2,051,485	622,667,438
Department of Elementary and Secondary Education				
Administration of the Comprehensive Education Strategy				
General Revenues	Page 24, Line 20	20,645,193	(8,640)	20,636,553
Restricted Receipts	Page 25, Line 3	1,264,259	415,727	1,679,986
Total - Administration of the Comprehensive Education S	Page 25, Line 10	233,575,578	407,087	233,982,665
Education Aid				
General Revneues	Page 26, Line 11	845,923,695	(1,566)	845,922,129

Governor's Article 10 March Amendments to FY 2017 Supplemental Appropriations (17-H-5175)

	Page No./ Line No.	FY 2017 Original Supplemental Submittal	Governor's March Amendments	FY 2017 Supplemental Recommend
Total - Education Aid	Page 26, Line 15	867,379,021	(1,566)	867,377,455
Davies Career and Technical School				
General Revenues	Page 25, Line 12	12,590,093	10,206	12,600,299
Total - Davies Career and Technical School	Page 25, Line 19	18,954,487	10,206	18,964,693
Grand Total - Elementary and Secondary Education	Page 26, Line 26	1,358,110,571	415,727	1,358,526,298
Public Higher Education				
Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner				
Federal Funds	Page 27, Line 11	11,826,471	(1,859,500)	9,966,971
Tuition Savings Program – Dual Enrollment	Page 27, Line 17	1,300,000	1,000,000	2,300,000
Total - Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner	Page 27, Line 23	34,449,175	(859,500)	33,589,675
University of Rhode Island				
University and College Funds	Page 28, Line 13	630,927,445	Education: \$11,161,648	630,927,445
Grand Total – Public Higher Education	Page 31, Line 4	1,137,268,264	(859,500)	1,136,408,764
Judiciary				
Supreme Court				
Federal Funds	Page 34, Line 26	122,343	18,000	140,343
Total - Supreme Court	Page 35, Line 8	43,146,512	18,000	43,164,512
Grand Total -Judiciary	Page 36, Line 5	120,252,202	18,000	120,270,202
Military Staff				
Restricted Receipts				
Counter Drug Asset Forfeiture	Page 36, Line 11	32,000	378,000	410,000
Grand Total - Military Staff	Page 36, Line 20	20,996,945	378,000	21,374,945
Department of Public Safety				
Municipal Police Training Academy				
Federal Funds	Page 37, Line 20	222,395	115,945	338,340
Total - Municipal Police Training Academy	Page 37, Line 21	485,176	115,945	601,121
State Police				
Restricted Receipts	Page 37, Line 25	19,547,219	225,000	19,772,219
Total - State Police	Page 38, Line 11	95,617,748	225,000	95,842,748
Grand Total - Public Safety	Page 38, Line 12	142,334,521	340,945	142,675,466
Emergency Management Agency				
Other Funds				
Rhode Island Capital Plan Fund				
Emergency Management Building	Page 38, Line 19	189,750	(189,750)	0
Grand Total - Emergency Management	Page 38, Line 22	22,158,553	(189,750)	21,968,803
Department of Environmental Management				
Natural Resources				
Restricted Receipts	Page 39, Line 11	3,807,283	250,000	4,057,283
Total - Natural Resources	Page 40, Line 4	61,553,386	250,000	61,803,386
Grand Total - Environmental Management	Page 40, Line 12	103,441,715	250,000	103,691,715
Department of Transportation				
Central Management				
Federal Funds	Page 40, Line 24	8,702,611	650,000	9,352,611
Total - Central Management	Page 41, Line 1	13,308,290	650,000	13,958,290

Governor's Article 10 March Amendments to FY 2017 Supplemental Appropriations (17-H-5175)

	Page No./ Line No.	FY 2017 Original Supplemental Submittal	Governor's March Amendments	FY 2017 Supplemental Recommend
Infrastructure Engineering				
Federal Funds - Stimulus	Page 41, Line 8	5,112,814	7,500,000	12,612,814
Total - Infrastructure Engineering	Page 41, Line 17	377,472,815	7,500,000	384,972,815
Infrastructure Maintenance				
Rhode Island Capital Plan Fund				
Portsmouth Facility	Page 42, Line 1	2,273,444	1,075,256	3,348,700
Total - Infrastructure Maintenance	Page 42, Line 4	139,578,656	1,075,256	140,653,912
Grand Total - Transportation	Page 42, Line 5	534,458,464	9,225,256	543,683,720
Statewide Totals				
General Revenues	Page 42, Line 7	3,700,404,975	0	3,700,404,975
Federal Funds	Page 42, Line 8	3,098,111,493	9,904,316	3,108,015,809
Restricted Receipts	Page 42, Line 9	306,762,457	862,427	307,624,884
Other Funds	Page 42, Line 10	2,095,264,216	2,020,043	2,097,284,259
Statewide Grand Total	Page 42, Line 11	9,200,543,141	12,786,786	9,213,329,927
Internal Service Funds				
State Fleet Revolving Loan Fund (language only in appropriations act; database correct)	Insert after Line 10, Page 43	[0]	[2,173,414]	[2,173,414]