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## IN ASSEMBLY

April 24, 2025

Introduced by M. of A. PRETLOW -- (at request of the Governor) -- read once and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

AN ACT making appropriations for the support of government; to amend chapter 113 of the laws of 2025 making appropriations for the support of government, in relation thereto; to amend chapter 118 of the laws of 2025 making appropriations for the support of government, in relation thereto; to amend chapter 119 of the laws of 2025 making appropriations for the support of government, in relation thereto; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Legislative intent. The legislature hereby finds and  
2 declares that the enactment of these appropriations provides sufficient  
3 authority to the comptroller for the purpose of making payments for the  
4 purposes described herein until such time as appropriation bills submit-  
5 ted by the governor pursuant to article VII of the state constitution  
6 for the support of government for the state fiscal year beginning April  
7 1, 2025 are enacted.

8 § 2. Section 2 of chapter 113 of the laws of 2025, relating to making  
9 appropriations for the support of government, as amended by chapter 122  
10 of the laws of 2025, is amended to read as follows:

11 § 2. The amounts specified in this section, or so much thereof as  
12 shall be sufficient to accomplish the purposes designated, is hereby  
13 appropriated and authorized to be paid as hereinafter provided, to the  
14 public officers and for the purpose specified, which amount shall be  
15 available for the state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2025.

16 ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

17 For the purpose of making payments for  
18 personal service, including liabilities

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 incurred prior to April 1, 2025, on the  
 2 payrolls scheduled to be paid during the  
 3 period April 1 through April [24] 29, 2025  
 4 to state officers and employees of the  
 5 executive branch, including the governor,  
 6 lieutenant governor, comptroller, and  
 7 attorney general, and to employees of the  
 8 legislature. This appropriation also  
 9 includes payments for services performed  
 10 by mentally ill or developmentally disa-  
 11 bled persons who are employed in state-op-  
 12 erated special employment, work-for-pay or  
 13 sheltered workshop programs ..... 1,336,630,000  
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15 § 3. Section 3 of chapter 113 of the laws of 2025, relating to making  
 16 appropriations for the support of government, as amended by chapter 122  
 17 of the laws of 2025, is amended to read as follows:

18 § 3. The amount specified in this section, or so much thereof as shall  
 19 be sufficient to accomplish the purpose designated, is hereby appropri-  
 20 ated and authorized to be paid as hereinafter provided, to the public  
 21 officers and for the purpose specified, which amount shall be available  
 22 for the state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2025.

23 ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

24 For the payment of state operations non  
 25 personal service liabilities to the execu-  
 26 tive branch, including the comptroller,  
 27 and the attorney general, and legislature,  
 28 incurred in the ordinary course of busi-  
 29 ness, during the period April 1 through  
 30 April [24] 29, 2025, pursuant to existing  
 31 state law and for purposes for which the  
 32 legislature authorized the expenditure of  
 33 moneys during the 2024-2025 state fiscal  
 34 year; provided, however, that nothing  
 35 contained herein shall be deemed to limit  
 36 or restrict the power or authority of  
 37 state departments or agencies to conduct  
 38 their activities or operations in accord-  
 39 ance with existing law, and further  
 40 provided that nothing contained herein  
 41 shall be deemed to supersede, nullify or  
 42 modify the provisions of section 40 of the  
 43 state finance law prescribing when appro-  
 44 priations made for the 2024-2025 state  
 45 fiscal year shall have ceased to have  
 46 force and effect ..... 34,000,000  
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48 § 4. Section 4 of chapter 113 of the laws of 2025, relating to making  
 49 appropriations for the support of government, as amended by chapter 122  
 50 of the laws of 2025, is amended to read as follows:

51 § 4. The amounts specified in this section, or so much thereof as  
 52 shall be sufficient to accomplish the purposes designated, is hereby

1 appropriated and authorized to be paid as hereinafter provided, to the  
2 public officers and for the purposes specified, which amount shall be  
3 available for the state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2025.

4 MISCELLANEOUS -- ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

5 GENERAL STATE CHARGES

6 STATE OPERATIONS

7 GENERAL STATE CHARGES ..... [~~567,571,000~~] 575,295,000  
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9 General Fund  
10 State Purposes Account - 10050

11 For employee fringe benefits according to  
12 the following project schedule including  
13 those benefits which are related to  
14 employees paid from funds, accounts, or  
15 programs where the division of the budget  
16 has issued waivers ..... [~~567,471,000~~] 567,475,000

17 Project Schedule  
18 PROJECT AMOUNT

19	-----	-----
20	For the state's contribution	
21	to the health insurance fund	
22	and deposit into the retiree	
23	health benefit trust fund	
24	pursuant to section 99-aa of	
25	the state finance law. The	
26	state's share of the health	
27	insurance program dividends	
28	shall be available to pay	
29	for the premiums in 2025-26 ..	422,000,000
30	For the state's contribution	
31	to the social security	
32	contribution fund .....	99,150,000
33	For the state's contribution	
34	to employee benefit fund	
35	programs .....	37,500,000
36	For the state's contribution	
37	to the dental insurance plan ...	6,000,000
38	For the state's share of	
39	contributions to the volun-	
40	tary defined contribution	
41	plan made on behalf of	
42	eligible employees pursuant	
43	to chapter 18 of the laws of	
44	2012 who elect to partic-	
45	ipate in such plan and who	
46	are not otherwise eligible	
47	to participate in the SUNY	
48	optional retirement program	
49	..... [ <del>554,000</del> ]	<u>558,000</u>

1 For the payment of the metro-  
 2 politan commuter transporta-  
 3 tion mobility tax pursuant  
 4 to article 23 of the tax  
 5 law, as added by chapter 25  
 6 of the laws of 2009, on  
 7 behalf of the state employ-  
 8 ees employed in the metro-  
 9 politan commuter transporta-  
 10 tion district ..... 2,250,000  
 11 For the state's contribution  
 12 to the vision care plan ..... 17,000  
 13 -----  
 14 Project schedule total ...  
 15 ..... [~~567,471,000~~] 567,475,000  
 16 -----

17 For payments in accordance with section 19-a  
 18 of the public lands law (80567) ..... 7,720,000

19 For payment of claims for damage to personal  
 20 or real property or for bodily injuries or  
 21 wrongful death caused by officers, employ-  
 22 ees, or other authorized persons providing  
 23 service to state government while provid-  
 24 ing such service, and the state university  
 25 construction fund while acting within the  
 26 scope of their employment, and while oper-  
 27 ating motor vehicles, and for any individ-  
 28 uals operating motor vehicles which are  
 29 assigned on a permanent basis with unre-  
 30 stricted use to state officers and employ-  
 31 ees when the person is permanently  
 32 assigned the motor vehicle (80559) ..... 100,000  
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34 § 5. Section 5 of chapter 118 of the laws of 2025, relating to making  
 35 appropriations for the support of government, as amended by chapter 122  
 36 of the laws of 2025, is amended to read as follows:

37 § 5. The amounts specified in this section, or so much thereof as  
 38 shall be sufficient to accomplish the purposes designated, is hereby  
 39 appropriated and authorized to be paid as hereinafter provided, to the  
 40 public officers and for the purposes specified, which amount shall be  
 41 available for the state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2025.

42 JUDICIARY

43 For the purpose of making payments for  
 44 personal service, including liabilities  
 45 incurred prior to April 1, 2025, on the  
 46 payrolls scheduled to be paid during the  
 47 period April 1 through April [~~24~~ 29, 2025  
 48 to officers and employees of the judiciary  
 49 ..... 175,000,000  
 50 For the payment of state operations nonper-  
 51 sonal service liabilities, the sum of  
 52 twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000),

1 or so much thereof as shall be sufficient  
 2 to accomplish the purpose designated, is  
 3 hereby appropriated to the judiciary out  
 4 of any moneys in the general fund or other  
 5 funds to the credit of the state purposes  
 6 account not otherwise appropriated. The  
 7 comptroller is hereby authorized and  
 8 directed to utilize this appropriation for  
 9 the purpose of making payments for nonper-  
 10 sonal service liabilities incurred by the  
 11 judiciary from April 1 through April [24]  
 12 29, 2025 ..... 25,000,000

13 For the payment of aid to localities liabil-  
 14 ities, the sum of thirty million dollars  
 15 (\$30,000,000), or so much thereof as shall  
 16 be sufficient to accomplish the purpose  
 17 designated, is hereby appropriated to the  
 18 judiciary out of any moneys in the general  
 19 fund or other funds to the credit of the  
 20 state purposes account not otherwise  
 21 appropriated. The comptroller is hereby  
 22 authorized and directed to utilize this  
 23 appropriation for the purpose of making  
 24 payments for aid to localities liabilities  
 25 incurred by the judiciary from April 1  
 26 through April [24] 29, 2025 ..... 30,000,000

27 For the payment of employee fringe benefit  
 28 programs including, but not limited to,  
 29 the judiciary's contributions to the  
 30 health insurance fund, the employees'  
 31 retirement system pension accumulation  
 32 fund, the social security contribution  
 33 fund, employee benefit fund programs, the  
 34 dental insurance plan, the vision care  
 35 plan, the unemployment insurance fund, and  
 36 for workers' compensation benefits, the  
 37 sum of three hundred million dollars  
 38 (\$300,000,000), or so much thereof as  
 39 shall be sufficient to accomplish the  
 40 purpose designated, is hereby appropriated  
 41 to the judiciary out of any moneys in the  
 42 general fund or other funds to the credit  
 43 of the state purposes account not other-  
 44 wise appropriated. The comptroller is  
 45 hereby authorized and directed to utilize  
 46 this appropriation for the purpose of  
 47 making payments for employee fringe bene-  
 48 fit liabilities incurred by the judiciary  
 49 from April 1 through April [24] 29, 2025 ... 300,000,000  
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51 § 6. Section 5 of chapter 113 of the laws of 2025, relating to making  
 52 appropriations for the support of government, as amended by chapter 122  
 53 of the laws of 2025, is amended to read as follows:

54 § 5. The amounts specified in this section, or so much thereof as  
 55 shall be sufficient to accomplish the purposes designated, is hereby

1 appropriated and authorized to be paid as hereinafter provided, to the  
2 public officers and for the purposes specified, which amount shall be  
3 available for the state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2025.

4 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

5 AID TO LOCALITIES

6 CENTER FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH PROGRAM ..... [~~32,680,000~~] 38,030,000  
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8 General Fund  
9 Local Assistance Account - 10000

10 For services and expenses related to the  
11 Indian health program. The money hereby  
12 appropriated shall be for payment of  
13 financial assistance heretofore accrued or  
14 hereafter to accrue (26840) ..... 7,000,000  
15 -----

16 Special Revenue Funds - Federal  
17 Federal USDA-Food and Nutrition Services Fund  
18 Federal Food and Nutrition Services Account - 25022

19 For various federal food and nutritional  
20 services. The moneys hereby appropriated  
21 shall be available for payment of finan-  
22 cial assistance heretofore accrued (26986)  
23 ..... [~~25,680,000~~] 31,030,000  
24 -----

25 ELDERLY PHARMACEUTICAL INSURANCE COVERAGE PROGRAM ..... 1,520,000  
26 -----

27 Special Revenue Funds - Other  
28 HCRA Resources Fund  
29 EPIC Premium Account - 20818

30 For services and expenses of the program for  
31 elderly pharmaceutical insurance coverage,  
32 including reimbursement to pharmacies  
33 participating in such program.  
34 The moneys hereby appropriated shall be  
35 available for payment of financial assist-  
36 ance heretofore accrued (26803) ..... 1,520,000

37 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ..... [~~6,032,985,000~~] 7,541,232,000  
38 -----

39 General Fund  
40 Local Assistance Account - 10000

41 For the medical assistance program, includ-  
42 ing administrative expenses, for local

1 social services districts, and for medical  
2 care rates for authorized child care agen-  
3 cies.  
4 Notwithstanding section 40 of the state  
5 finance law or any provision of law to the  
6 contrary, subject to federal approval,  
7 department of health state funds medicaid  
8 spending, excluding payments for medical  
9 services provided at state facilities  
10 operated by the office of mental health,  
11 the office for people with developmental  
12 disabilities and the office of addiction  
13 services and supports and further exclud-  
14 ing any payments which are not appropri-  
15 ated within the department of health, in  
16 the aggregate, for the period April 1,  
17 2025 through March 31, 2026, shall not  
18 exceed \$33,417,285,000 except as provided  
19 below provided, however, such aggregate  
20 limits may be adjusted by the director of  
21 the budget to account for any changes in  
22 the New York state federal medical assist-  
23 ance percentage amount established pursu-  
24 ant to the federal social security act,  
25 increases in provider revenues, reductions  
26 in local social services district payments  
27 for medical assistance administration,  
28 minimum wage increases, and beginning  
29 April 1, 2012 the operational costs of the  
30 New York state medical indemnity fund,  
31 pursuant to chapter 59 of the laws of  
32 2011, and state costs or savings from the  
33 essential plan program. Such projections  
34 may be adjusted by the director of the  
35 budget to account for increased or expe-  
36 dited department of health state funds  
37 medicaid expenditures as a result of a  
38 natural or other type of disaster, includ-  
39 ing a governmental declaration of emergen-  
40 cy.  
41 The director of the budget, in consultation  
42 with the commissioner of health, shall  
43 assess on a quarterly basis known and  
44 projected medicaid expenditures by catego-  
45 ry of service and by geographic region, as  
46 defined by the commissioner, incurred both  
47 prior to and subsequent to such assessment  
48 for each such period, and if the director  
49 of the budget determines that such expend-  
50 itures are expected to cause medicaid  
51 spending for such period to exceed the  
52 aggregate limit specified herein for such  
53 period, the state medicaid director, in  
54 consultation with the director of the  
55 budget and the commissioner of health,  
56 shall develop a medicaid savings allo-

1 cation adjustment to limit such spending  
2 to the aggregate limit specified herein  
3 for such period.  
4 Such medicaid savings allocation adjustment  
5 shall be designed, to reduce the expendi-  
6 tures authorized by the appropriations  
7 herein in compliance with the following  
8 guidelines: (1) reductions shall be made  
9 in compliance with applicable federal law,  
10 including the provisions of the Patient  
11 Protection and Affordable Care Act, Public  
12 Law No. 111-148, and the Health Care and  
13 Education Reconciliation Act of 2010,  
14 Public Law No. 111-152 (collectively  
15 "Affordable Care Act") and any subsequent  
16 amendments thereto or regulations promul-  
17 gated thereunder; (2) reductions shall be  
18 made in a manner that complies with the  
19 state medicaid plan approved by the feder-  
20 al centers for medicare and medicaid  
21 services, provided, however, that the  
22 commissioner of health is authorized to  
23 submit any state plan amendment or seek  
24 other federal approval, including waiver  
25 authority, to implement the provisions of  
26 the medicaid savings allocation adjustment  
27 that meets the other criteria set forth  
28 herein; (3) reductions shall be made in a  
29 manner that maximizes federal financial  
30 participation, to the extent practicable,  
31 including any federal financial partic-  
32 ipation that is available or is reasonably  
33 expected to become available, in the  
34 discretion of the commissioner, under the  
35 Affordable Care Act; (4) reductions shall  
36 be made uniformly among categories of  
37 services and geographic regions of the  
38 state, to the extent practicable, and  
39 shall be made uniformly within a category  
40 of service, to the extent practicable,  
41 except where the commissioner determines  
42 that there are sufficient grounds for  
43 non-uniformity, including but not limited  
44 to: the extent to which specific catego-  
45 ries of services contributed to department  
46 of health medicaid state funds spending in  
47 excess of the limits specified herein; the  
48 need to maintain safety net services in  
49 underserved communities; or the potential  
50 benefits of pursuing innovative payment  
51 models contemplated by the Affordable Care  
52 Act, in which case such grounds shall be  
53 set forth in the medicaid savings allo-  
54 cation adjustment; and (5) reductions  
55 shall be made in a manner that does not  
56 unnecessarily create administrative

1 burdens to medicaid applicants and recipi-  
2 ents or providers.  
3 The commissioner shall seek the input of the  
4 legislature, as well as organizations  
5 representing health care providers,  
6 consumers, businesses, workers, health  
7 insurers, and others with relevant exper-  
8 tise, in developing such medicaid savings  
9 allocation adjustment, to the extent that  
10 all or part of such adjustment, in the  
11 discretion of the commissioner, is likely  
12 to have a material impact on the overall  
13 medicaid program, particular categories of  
14 service or particular geographic regions  
15 of the state.

16 (a) The commissioner shall post the medicaid  
17 savings allocation adjustment on the  
18 department of health's website and shall  
19 provide written copies of such adjustment  
20 to the chairs of the senate finance and  
21 the assembly ways and means committees at  
22 least 30 days before the date on which  
23 implementation is expected to begin.

24 (b) The commissioner may revise the medicaid  
25 savings allocation adjustment subsequent  
26 to the provisions of notice and prior to  
27 implementation but needs to provide a new  
28 notice pursuant to subparagraph (i) of  
29 this paragraph only if the commissioner  
30 determines, in his or her discretion, that  
31 such revisions materially alter the  
32 adjustment.

33 Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs  
34 (a) and (b) of this subdivision, the  
35 commissioner need not seek the input  
36 described in paragraph (a) of this subdivi-  
37 sion or provide notice pursuant to para-  
38 graph (b) of this subdivision if, in the  
39 discretion of the commissioner, expedited  
40 development and implementation of a medi-  
41 caid savings allocation adjustment is  
42 necessary due to a public health emergen-  
43 cy.

44 For purposes of this section, a public  
45 health emergency is defined as: (i) a  
46 disaster, natural or otherwise, that  
47 significantly increases the immediate need  
48 for health care personnel in an area of  
49 the state; (ii) an event or condition that  
50 creates a widespread risk of exposure to a  
51 serious communicable disease, or the  
52 potential for such widespread risk of  
53 exposure; or (iii) any other event or  
54 condition determined by the commissioner  
55 to constitute an imminent threat to public  
56 health.

1 Nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to  
2 prevent all or part of such medicaid  
3 savings allocation adjustment from taking  
4 effect retroactively to the extent permit-  
5 ted by the federal centers for medicare  
6 and medicaid services.

7 In accordance with the medicaid savings  
8 allocation adjustment, the commissioner of  
9 the department of health shall reduce  
10 department of health state funds medicaid  
11 spending by the amount of the projected  
12 overspending through, actions including,  
13 but not limited to modifying or suspending  
14 reimbursement methods, including but not  
15 limited to all fees, premium levels and  
16 rates of payment, notwithstanding any  
17 provision of law that sets a specific  
18 amount or methodology for any such  
19 payments or rates of payment; modifying or  
20 discontinuing medicaid program benefits;  
21 seeking all necessary federal approvals,  
22 including, but not limited to waivers,  
23 waiver amendments; and suspending time  
24 frames for notice, approval or certif-  
25 ication of rate requirements, notwith-  
26 standing any provision of law, rule or  
27 regulation to the contrary, including but  
28 not limited to sections 2807 and 3614 of  
29 the public health law, section 18 of chap-  
30 ter 2 of the laws of 1988, and 18 NYCRR  
31 505.14(h).

32 The department of health shall prepare a  
33 quarterly report that sets forth: (a)  
34 known and projected department of health  
35 medicaid expenditures as described in  
36 subdivision (1) of this section, and  
37 factors that could result in medicaid  
38 disbursements for the relevant state  
39 fiscal year to exceed the projected  
40 department of health state funds disburse-  
41 ments in the enacted budget financial plan  
42 pursuant to subdivision 3 of section 23 of  
43 the state finance law, including spending  
44 increases or decreases due to: enrollment  
45 fluctuations, rate changes, utilization  
46 changes, MRT investments, and shift of  
47 beneficiaries to managed care; and vari-  
48 ations in offline medicaid payments; and  
49 (b) the actions taken to implement any  
50 medicaid savings allocation adjustment  
51 implemented pursuant to subdivision (4) of  
52 this section, including information  
53 concerning the impact of such actions on  
54 each category of service and each  
55 geographic region of the state. Each such  
56 quarterly report shall be provided to the

1 chairs of the senate finance and the  
2 assembly ways and means committees and  
3 shall be posted on the department of  
4 health's website in a timely manner.

5 The money hereby appropriated is to be  
6 available for payment of aid heretofore  
7 accrued or hereafter accrued to municipi-  
8 palities, and to providers of medical  
9 services pursuant to section 367-b of the  
10 social services law, and for payment of  
11 state aid to municipalities and to provid-  
12 ers of family care where payment systems  
13 through the fiscal intermediaries are not  
14 operational.

15 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
16 of law to the contrary, funds may be used  
17 by the department for outside legal  
18 assistance on issues involving the federal  
19 government, the conduct of preadmission  
20 screening and annual resident reviews  
21 required by the state's medicaid program,  
22 computer matching with insurance carriers  
23 to insure that medicaid is the payer of  
24 last resort and activities related to the  
25 management of the pharmacy benefit avail-  
26 able under the medicaid program.

27 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
28 of law, in lieu of payments authorized by  
29 the social services law, or payments of  
30 federal funds otherwise due to the local  
31 social services districts for programs  
32 provided under the federal social security  
33 act or the federal food stamp act, funds  
34 herein appropriated, in amounts certified  
35 by the state commissioner of temporary and  
36 disability assistance or the state commis-  
37 sioner of health as due from local social  
38 services districts each month as their  
39 share of payments made pursuant to section  
40 367-b of the social services law may be  
41 set aside by the state comptroller in an  
42 interest-bearing account in order to  
43 ensure the orderly and prompt payment of  
44 providers under section 367-b of the  
45 social services law pursuant to an esti-  
46 mate provided by the commissioner of  
47 health of each local social services  
48 district's share of payments made pursuant  
49 to section 367-b of the social services  
50 law.

51 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
52 of law, funding made available by these  
53 appropriations shall support direct salary  
54 costs and related fringe benefits within  
55 the medical assistance program associated  
56 with any minimum wage increase that takes

1 effect during the timeframe of these  
2 appropriations, pursuant to section 652 of  
3 the labor law. Each eligible organization  
4 in receipt of funding made available by  
5 these appropriations may be required to  
6 submit written certification, in such form  
7 and at such time the commissioner may  
8 prescribe, attesting to the total amount  
9 of funds used by the eligible organiza-  
10 tion, how such funding will be or was used  
11 for purposes eligible under these appro-  
12 priations and any other reporting deemed  
13 necessary by the commissioner. The amounts  
14 appropriated herein may include advances  
15 to organizations authorized to receive  
16 such funds to accomplish this purpose.

17 Notwithstanding any other provision of law,  
18 the money hereby appropriated may be  
19 increased or decreased by interchange or  
20 transfer, with any appropriation of the  
21 department of health and the office of  
22 medicaid inspector general and may be  
23 increased or decreased by transfer or  
24 suballocation between these appropriated  
25 amounts and appropriations of the depart-  
26 ment of health state purpose account, the  
27 office of mental health, office for people  
28 with developmental disabilities, the  
29 office of addiction services and supports,  
30 the department of family assistance office  
31 of temporary and disability assistance,  
32 the department of corrections and communi-  
33 ty supervision, the office of information  
34 technology services, the state university  
35 of New York, and office of children and  
36 family services, the office of medicaid  
37 inspector general, the state education  
38 department, and the state office for the  
39 aging with the approval of the director of  
40 the budget, who shall file such approval  
41 with the department of audit and control  
42 and copies thereof with the chairman of  
43 the senate finance committee and the  
44 chairman of the assembly ways and means  
45 committee.

46 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
47 of law to the contrary, the moneys hereby  
48 appropriated may be used for payments to  
49 the centers for medicaid and medicare  
50 services for obligations incurred related  
51 to the pharmaceutical costs of dually  
52 eligible medicare/medicaid beneficiaries  
53 participating in the medicare drug benefit  
54 authorized by P.L. 108-173.

55 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
56 of law, the moneys hereby appropriated

1 shall not be used for any existing rates,  
2 fees, fee schedule, or procedures which  
3 may affect the cost of care and services  
4 provided by personal care providers, case  
5 managers, health maintenance organiza-  
6 tions, out of state medical facilities  
7 which provide care and services to resi-  
8 dents of the state, providers of transpor-  
9 tation services, that are altered,  
10 amended, adjusted or otherwise changed by  
11 a local social services district unless  
12 previously approved by the department of  
13 health and the director of the budget.

14 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
15 of law to the contrary, funds shall be  
16 made available to the commissioner of the  
17 office of mental health or the commission-  
18 er of the office of addiction services and  
19 supports, in consultation with the commis-  
20 sioner of health and approved by the  
21 director of the budget, and consistent  
22 with appropriations made therefor, to  
23 implement allocation adjustment developed  
24 by each such commissioner which shall  
25 describe mental health or substance use  
26 disorder services that should be developed  
27 to meet service needs resulting from the  
28 reduction of inpatient behavioral health  
29 services provided under the medicaid  
30 program, by programs licensed pursuant to  
31 article 31 or 32 of the mental hygiene  
32 law. Such programs may include programs  
33 that are licensed pursuant to both article  
34 31 of the mental hygiene law and article  
35 28 of the public health law, or certified  
36 under both article 32 of the mental  
37 hygiene law and article 28 of the public  
38 health law.

39 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
40 of law, the moneys hereby appropriated may  
41 be available for payments associated with  
42 the resolution by settlement agreement or  
43 judgment of rate appeals and/or litigation  
44 where the department of health is a party.

45 For services and expenses of the medical  
46 assistance program including hospital  
47 inpatient services and general hospitals  
48 that are safety-net providers that evince  
49 severe financial distress, pursuant to  
50 criteria determined by the commissioner,  
51 shall be eligible for awards for amounts  
52 appropriated herein, to enable such  
53 providers to maintain operations and vital  
54 services while establishing long term  
55 solutions to achieve sustainable health  
56 services.

1 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provisions  
2 of law, no expenditures shall be used for  
3 the medical assistance program for any  
4 expenses not explicitly authorized in law  
5 without the approval of the director of  
6 the budget.

7 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
8 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
9 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
10 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
11 reappropriation for this item covering  
12 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
13 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
14 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
15 laws of 2024 (26947) ..... [~~80,800,000~~] 101,000,000

16 For services and expenses of the medical  
17 assistance program including hospital  
18 outpatient and emergency room services.

19 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
20 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
21 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
22 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
23 reappropriation for this item covering  
24 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
25 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
26 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
27 laws of 2024 (26948) ..... [~~20,864,000~~] 26,080,000

28 For services and expenses of the medical  
29 assistance program including clinic  
30 services.

31 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
32 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
33 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
34 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
35 reappropriation for this item covering  
36 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
37 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
38 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
39 laws of 2024 (26949) ..... [~~38,052,000~~] 47,565,000

40 For services and expenses of the medical  
41 assistance program including nursing home  
42 services.

43 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
44 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
45 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
46 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
47 reappropriation for this item covering  
48 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
49 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
50 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
51 laws of 2024 (26950) ..... [~~101,872,000~~] 127,340,000

52 For services and expenses of the medical  
53 assistance program including other long  
54 term care services.

55 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
56 contrary, the portion of this appropri-

1 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
 2 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 3 reappropriation for this item covering  
 4 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
 5 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 6 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 7 laws of 2024 (26951) ..... [~~563,112,000~~] 703,890,000

8 For services and expenses of the medical  
 9 assistance program including managed care  
 10 services including regional planning  
 11 activities of the finger lakes health  
 12 systems agency, including statewide coor-  
 13 dination and demonstration of best prac-  
 14 tices. The department shall make grants  
 15 within amounts appropriated therefor, to  
 16 assure high-quality and accessible primary  
 17 care, to provide technical assistance to  
 18 support financial and business planning  
 19 for integrated systems of care, and to  
 20 assist primary care providers in the  
 21 adoption, implementation, and meaningful  
 22 use of electronic health record technolo-  
 23 gy.

24 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 25 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 26 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
 27 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 28 reappropriation for this item covering  
 29 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
 30 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 31 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 32 laws of 2024 (26952) ..... [~~347,446,000~~] 434,308,000

33 For services and expenses for health homes  
 34 including grants to health homes.

35 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 36 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 37 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
 38 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 39 reappropriation for this item covering  
 40 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
 41 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 42 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 43 laws of 2024 (29548) ..... [~~12,064,000~~] 15,080,000

44 For services and expenses of the medical  
 45 assistance program including pharmacy  
 46 services provided, however, that no funds  
 47 shall be made available pursuant to this  
 48 appropriation for any drug not explicitly  
 49 authorized in any enacted law, rule, or  
 50 regulation without approval from the  
 51 director of the budget.

52 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 53 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 54 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
 55 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 56 reappropriation for this item covering

1 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
 2 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 3 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 4 laws of 2024 (26953) ..... [~~193,904,000~~] 242,380,000

5 For services and expenses of the medical  
 6 assistance program including transporta-  
 7 tion services.

8 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 9 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 10 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
 11 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 12 reappropriation for this item covering  
 13 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
 14 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 15 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 16 laws of 2024 (26954) ..... [~~28,688,000~~] 35,860,000

17 For services and expenses of the medical  
 18 assistance program including dental  
 19 services.

20 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 21 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 22 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
 23 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 24 reappropriation for this item covering  
 25 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
 26 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 27 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 28 laws of 2024 (26955) ..... [~~328,000~~] 410,000

29 For services and expenses of the medical  
 30 assistance program including non-institu-  
 31 tional and other spending.

32 The money hereby appropriated is available  
 33 for payment of liabilities heretofore  
 34 accrued or hereafter accrued.

35 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
 36 of law, the money hereby appropriated may  
 37 be available for payments to any county or  
 38 public school districts associated with  
 39 additional claims for school supportive  
 40 health services.

41 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 42 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 43 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
 44 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 45 reappropriation for this item covering  
 46 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
 47 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 48 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 49 laws of 2024 (26956) ..... [~~79,208,000~~] 99,010,000

50 For services and expenses of the medical  
 51 assistance program including medical  
 52 services provided at state facilities  
 53 operated by the office of mental health,  
 54 the office for people with developmental  
 55 disabilities and the office of addiction  
 56 services and supports.

1 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 2 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 3 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
 4 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 5 reappropriation for this item covering  
 6 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
 7 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 8 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 9 laws of 2024 (26961) ..... [~~333,600,000~~] 417,000,000  
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11 Special Revenue Funds - Federal  
 12 Federal Health and Human Services Fund  
 13 Medicaid Direct Account - 25106

14 For services and expenses for the medical  
 15 assistance program, including administra-  
 16 tive expenses for local social services  
 17 districts, pursuant to title XIX of the  
 18 federal social security act or its succes-  
 19 sor program.

20 The moneys hereby appropriated are to be  
 21 available for payment of aid heretofore  
 22 accrued or hereafter accrued to munici-  
 23 palities, and to providers of medical  
 24 services pursuant to section 367-b of the  
 25 social services law, and for payment of  
 26 state aid to municipalities and to provid-  
 27 ers of family care where payment systems  
 28 through the fiscal intermediaries are not  
 29 operational.

30 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
 31 of law, funding made available by these  
 32 appropriations shall support direct salary  
 33 costs and related fringe benefits within  
 34 the medical assistance program associated  
 35 with any minimum wage increase that takes  
 36 effect during the timeframe of these  
 37 appropriations, pursuant to section 652 of  
 38 the labor law. Each eligible organization  
 39 in receipt of funding made available by  
 40 these appropriations may be required to  
 41 submit written certification, in such form  
 42 and at such time the commissioner may  
 43 prescribe, attesting to the total amount  
 44 of funds used by the eligible organiza-  
 45 tion, how such funding will be or was used  
 46 for purposes eligible under these appro-  
 47 priations and any other reporting deemed  
 48 necessary by the commissioner. The amounts  
 49 appropriated herein may include advances  
 50 to organizations authorized to receive  
 51 such funds to accomplish this purpose.

52 Notwithstanding any other provision of law,  
 53 the money hereby appropriated may be  
 54 increased or decreased by interchange or

1 transfer, with any appropriation of the  
2 department of health and the office of  
3 medicaid inspector general and may be  
4 increased or decreased by transfer or  
5 suballocation between these appropriated  
6 amounts and appropriations of the office  
7 of mental health, office for people with  
8 developmental disabilities, the office of  
9 addiction services and supports, the  
10 department of family assistance office of  
11 temporary and disability assistance,  
12 office of children and family services,  
13 the department of financial services,  
14 department of corrections and community  
15 supervision, the office of information  
16 technology services, the state university  
17 of New York, the state education depart-  
18 ment, and the state office for the aging  
19 with the approval of the director of the  
20 budget, who shall file such approval with  
21 the department of audit and control and  
22 copies thereof with the chairman of the  
23 senate finance committee and the chairman  
24 of the assembly ways and means committee.

25 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
26 of law, in lieu of payments authorized by  
27 the social services law, or payments of  
28 federal funds otherwise due to the local  
29 social services districts for programs  
30 provided under the federal social security  
31 act or the federal food stamp act, funds  
32 herein appropriated, in amounts certified  
33 by the state commissioner of temporary and  
34 disability assistance or the state commis-  
35 sioner of health as due from local social  
36 services districts each month as their  
37 share of payments made pursuant to section  
38 367-b of the social services law may be  
39 set aside by the state comptroller in an  
40 interest-bearing account in order to  
41 ensure the orderly and prompt payment of  
42 providers under section 367-b of the  
43 social services law pursuant to an esti-  
44 mate provided by the commissioner of  
45 health of each local social services  
46 district's share of payments made pursuant  
47 to section 367-b of the social services  
48 law.

49 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
50 of law to the contrary, funds shall be  
51 made available to the commissioner of the  
52 office of mental health or the commis-  
53 sioner of the office of addiction services and  
54 supports, in consultation with the commis-  
55 sioner of health and approved by the  
56 director of the budget, and consistent

1 with appropriations made therefor, to  
 2 implement allocation adjustment developed  
 3 by each such commissioner which shall  
 4 describe mental health or substance use  
 5 disorder services that should be developed  
 6 to meet service needs resulting from the  
 7 reduction of inpatient behavioral health  
 8 services provided under the medicaid  
 9 program, by programs licensed pursuant to  
 10 article 31 or 32 of the mental hygiene  
 11 law. Such programs may include programs  
 12 that are licensed pursuant to both article  
 13 31 of the mental hygiene law and article  
 14 28 of the public health law, or certified  
 15 under both article 32 of the mental  
 16 hygiene law and article 28 of the public  
 17 health law.

18 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
 19 of law, the moneys hereby appropriated may  
 20 be available for payments associated with  
 21 the resolution by settlement agreement or  
 22 judgment of rate appeals and/or litigation  
 23 where the department of health is a party.  
 24 Notwithstanding any inconsistent  
 25 provisions of law, no expenditures shall  
 26 be used for the medical assistance program  
 27 for any expenses not explicitly authorized  
 28 in law without the approval of the direc-  
 29 tor of the budget.

30 For services and expenses of the medical  
 31 assistance program including hospital  
 32 inpatient services.

33 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 34 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 35 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
 36 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 37 reappropriation for this item covering  
 38 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
 39 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 40 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 41 laws of 2024 (26947) ..... [~~231,256,000~~] 289,070,000

42 For services and expenses of the medical  
 43 assistance program including hospital  
 44 outpatient and emergency room services.

45 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 46 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 47 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
 48 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 49 reappropriation for this item covering  
 50 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
 51 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 52 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 53 laws of 2024 (26948) ..... [~~41,488,000~~] 51,860,000

54 For services and expenses of the medical  
 55 assistance program including clinic  
 56 services.

1 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 2 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 3 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
 4 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 5 reappropriation for this item covering  
 6 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
 7 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 8 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 9 laws of 2024 (26949) ..... [~~67,868,000~~] 84,835,000

10 For services and expenses of the medical  
 11 assistance program including nursing home  
 12 services.

13 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 14 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 15 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
 16 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 17 reappropriation for this item covering  
 18 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
 19 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 20 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 21 laws of 2024 (26950) ..... [~~317,436,000~~] 396,795,000

22 For services and expenses of the medical  
 23 assistance program including other long  
 24 term care services.

25 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 26 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 27 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
 28 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 29 reappropriation for this item covering  
 30 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
 31 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 32 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 33 laws of 2024 (26951) ..... [~~1,059,151,000~~] 1,323,939,000

34 For services and expenses of the medical  
 35 assistance program including managed care  
 36 services including regional planning  
 37 activities of the finger lakes health  
 38 systems agency, including statewide coor-  
 39 dination and demonstration of best prac-  
 40 tices. The department shall make grants  
 41 within amounts appropriated therefor, to  
 42 assure high-quality and accessible primary  
 43 care, to provide technical assistance to  
 44 support financial and business planning  
 45 for integrated systems of care, and to  
 46 assist primary care providers in the  
 47 adoption, implementation, and meaningful  
 48 use of electronic health record technolo-  
 49 gy.

50 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 51 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 52 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
 53 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 54 reappropriation for this item covering  
 55 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
 56 ation for this item covering fiscal year

1 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
2 laws of 2024 (26952) ..... [~~1,206,632,000~~] 1,508,290,000  
3 For services and expenses of the medical  
4 assistance program including pharmacy  
5 services, provided, however, that no funds  
6 shall be made available pursuant to this  
7 appropriation for any drug not explicitly  
8 authorized in any heretofore enacted law,  
9 rule, or regulation without approval from  
10 the director of the budget.

11 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
12 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
13 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
14 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
15 reappropriation for this item covering  
16 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
17 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
18 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
19 laws of 2024 (26953) ..... [~~370,464,000~~] 463,080,000

20 For services and expenses of the medical  
21 assistance program including transporta-  
22 tion services.

23 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
24 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
25 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
26 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
27 reappropriation for this item covering  
28 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
29 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
30 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
31 laws of 2024 (26954) ..... [~~48,940,000~~] 61,175,000

32 For services and expenses of the medical  
33 assistance program including dental  
34 services.

35 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
36 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
37 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
38 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
39 reappropriation for this item covering  
40 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
41 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
42 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
43 laws of 2024 (26955) ..... [~~5,688,000~~] 7,110,000

44 For services and expenses of the medical  
45 assistance program including noninstitu-  
46 tional and other spending.

47 The money hereby appropriated is available  
48 for payment of liabilities heretofore  
49 accrued or hereafter accrued.

50 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
51 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
52 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
53 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
54 reappropriation for this item covering  
55 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
56 ation for this item covering fiscal year

1 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 2 laws of 2024 (26956) ..... [~~550,524,000~~] 688,155,000  
 3 For services and expenses of the medical  
 4 assistance program including medical  
 5 services provided at state facilities  
 6 operated by the office of mental health,  
 7 the office for people with developmental  
 8 disabilities and the office of addiction  
 9 services and supports.  
 10 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 11 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 12 ation covering fiscal year 2025-26 shall  
 13 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 14 reappropriation for this item covering  
 15 fiscal year 2025-26, and (ii) appropri-  
 16 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 17 2025-26 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 18 laws of 2024 (26961) ..... [~~333,600,000~~] 417,000,000  
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20 § 7. Section 6 of chapter 113 of the laws of 2025, relating to making  
 21 appropriations for the support of government, as amended by chapter 122  
 22 of the laws of 2025, is amended to read as follows:

23 § 6. The amounts specified in this section, or so much thereof as  
 24 shall be sufficient to accomplish the purposes designated, is hereby  
 25 appropriated and authorized to be paid as hereinafter provided, to the  
 26 public officers and for the purposes specified, which amount shall be  
 27 available for the state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2025.

28 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

29 AID TO LOCALITIES

30 UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFIT PROGRAM ..... [~~750,000,000~~] 855,000,000  
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32 Enterprise Funds  
 33 Unemployment Insurance Benefit Fund  
 34 Unemployment Insurance Benefit Account - 50650

35 For payment of unemployment insurance bene-  
 36 fits pursuant to article 18 of the labor  
 37 law or as authorized by the federal  
 38 government through the disaster unemploy-  
 39 ment assistance program, the emergency  
 40 unemployment compensation program, the  
 41 extended benefit program, the federal  
 42 additional compensation program or any  
 43 other federally funded unemployment bene-  
 44 fit program (34787) ..... [~~750,000,000~~] 855,000,000

45 § 8. Section 11 of chapter 119 of the laws of 2025, relating to making  
 46 appropriations for the support of government, as amended by chapter 122  
 47 of the laws of 2025, is amended to read as follows:

48 § 11. The amounts specified in this section, or so much thereof as  
 49 shall be sufficient to accomplish the purposes designated, is hereby

1 appropriated and authorized to be paid as hereinafter provided, to the  
2 public officers and for the purposes specified, which amount shall be  
3 available for the state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2025.

4 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HYGIENE  
5 OFFICE FOR PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

6 AID TO LOCALITIES

7 COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM ..... [~~409,744,000~~] 418,159,000  
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9 General Fund  
10 Local Assistance Account - 10000

11 For services and expenses of the community  
12 services program, net of disallowances,  
13 for community programs for people with  
14 developmental disabilities pursuant to  
15 article 41 of the mental hygiene law,  
16 and/or chapter 620 of the laws of 1974,  
17 chapter 660 of the laws of 1977, chapter  
18 412 of the laws of 1981, chapter 27 of the  
19 laws of 1987, chapter 729 of the laws of  
20 1989, chapter 329 of the laws of 1993 and  
21 other provisions of the mental hygiene  
22 law. Notwithstanding any inconsistent  
23 provision of law, the following appropri-  
24 ation shall be net of prior and/or current  
25 year refunds, rebates, reimbursements, and  
26 credits.

27 Notwithstanding any other provision of law,  
28 advances and reimbursement made pursuant  
29 to subdivision (d) of section 41.15 and  
30 section 41.18 of the mental hygiene law  
31 shall be allocated pursuant to a plan and  
32 in a manner prescribed by the agency head  
33 and approved by the director of the budg-  
34 et. The moneys hereby appropriated are  
35 available to reimburse or advance locali-  
36 ties and voluntary non-profit agencies for  
37 expenditures made during local fiscal  
38 periods commencing January 1, 2025, April  
39 1, 2025 or July 1, 2025, and for advances  
40 for the 3 month period beginning January  
41 1, 2026.

42 Notwithstanding the provisions of article 41  
43 of the mental hygiene law or any other  
44 inconsistent provision of law, rule or  
45 regulation, the commissioner, pursuant to  
46 such contract and in the manner provided  
47 therein, may pay all or a portion of the  
48 expenses incurred by such voluntary agen-  
49 cies arising out of loans which are funded  
50 from the proceeds of bonds and notes

1 issued by the dormitory authority of the  
2 state of New York.

3 Notwithstanding any other provision of law,  
4 the money hereby appropriated may be  
5 transferred to state operations and/or any  
6 appropriation of the office for people  
7 with developmental disabilities with the  
8 approval of the director of the budget.

9 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
10 of law, moneys from this appropriation may  
11 be used for state aid of up to 100 percent  
12 of the net deficit costs of day training  
13 programs and family support services.

14 Notwithstanding the provisions of section  
15 16.23 of the mental hygiene law and any  
16 other inconsistent provision of law, with  
17 relation to the operation of certified  
18 family care homes, including family care  
19 homes sponsored by voluntary not-for-pro-  
20 fit agencies, moneys from this appropri-  
21 ation may be used for payments to purchase  
22 general services including but not limited  
23 to respite providers, up to a maximum of  
24 14 days, at rates to be established by the  
25 commissioner and approved by the director  
26 of the budget in consideration of factors  
27 including, but not limited to, geographic  
28 area and number of clients cared for in  
29 the home and for payment in an amount  
30 determined by the commissioner for the  
31 personal needs of each client residing in  
32 the family care home.

33 Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivi-  
34 sion 12 of section 8 of the state finance  
35 law and any other inconsistent provision  
36 of law, moneys from this appropriation may  
37 be used for expenses of family care homes  
38 including payments to operators of certi-  
39 fied family care homes for damages caused  
40 by clients to personal and real property  
41 in accordance with standards established  
42 by the commissioner and approved by the  
43 director of the budget.

44 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
45 of law, moneys from this appropriation may  
46 be used for appropriate day program  
47 services and residential services includ-  
48 ing, but not limited to, direct housing  
49 subsidies to individuals, start-up  
50 expenses for family care providers, envi-  
51 ronmental modifications, adaptive technol-  
52 ogies, appraisals, property options,  
53 feasibility studies and preoperational  
54 expenses.

55 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
56 of law except pursuant to a chapter of the

1 laws of 2024 authorizing a 2.84 percent  
2 cost of living adjustment, for the period  
3 commencing on April 1, 2024 and ending  
4 March 31, 2025 the commissioner shall not  
5 apply any other cost of living adjustment  
6 for the purpose of establishing rates of  
7 payments, contracts or any other form of  
8 reimbursement; provided that this shall  
9 not prevent the commissioner from applying  
10 prior adjustments for the purpose of  
11 establishing rates resulting from a rebas-  
12 ing of base year costs.

13 Notwithstanding section 6908 of the educa-  
14 tion law and any other provision of law,  
15 rule or regulation to the contrary, direct  
16 support staff in programs certified or  
17 approved by the office for people with  
18 developmental disabilities, including the  
19 home and community based services waiver  
20 programs that the office for people with  
21 developmental disabilities is authorized  
22 to administer with federal approval pursu-  
23 ant to subdivision (c) of section 1915 of  
24 the federal social security act, are  
25 authorized to provide such tasks as OPWDD  
26 may specify when performed under the  
27 supervision, training and periodic  
28 inspection of a registered professional  
29 nurse and in accordance with an authorized  
30 practitioner's ordered care.

31 Notwithstanding any other provision of law  
32 to the contrary, and consistent with  
33 section 33.07 of the mental hygiene law,  
34 the directors of facilities licensed but  
35 not operated by the office for people with  
36 developmental disabilities who act as  
37 federally-appointed representative payees  
38 and who assume management responsibility  
39 over the funds of a resident may continue  
40 to use such funds for the cost of the  
41 resident's care and treatment, consistent  
42 with federal law and regulations.

43 Funds appropriated herein shall be available  
44 in accordance with the following:

45 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
46 of law, the director of the budget is  
47 authorized to make suballocations from  
48 this appropriation to the department of  
49 health medical assistance program.

50 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
51 of law, and pursuant to criteria estab-  
52 lished by the commissioner of the office  
53 for people with developmental disabilities  
54 and approved by the director of the budg-  
55 et, expenditures may be made from this  
56 appropriation for residential facilities

1 which are pending recertification as  
2 intermediate care facilities for people  
3 with developmental disabilities.  
4 Notwithstanding the provisions of section  
5 41.36 of the mental hygiene law and any  
6 other inconsistent provision of law,  
7 moneys from this appropriation may be used  
8 for payment up to \$250 per year per  
9 client, at such times and in such manner  
10 as determined by the commissioner on the  
11 basis of financial need for the personal  
12 needs of each client residing in voluntar-  
13 y-operated community residences and volun-  
14 tary-operated community residential alter-  
15 natives, including individualized  
16 residential alternatives under the home  
17 and community based services waiver. The  
18 commissioner shall, subject to the  
19 approval of the director of the budget,  
20 alter existing advance payment schedules  
21 for voluntary-operated community resi-  
22 dences established pursuant to section  
23 41.36 of the mental hygiene law.  
24 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
25 of law, moneys from this appropriation may  
26 be used for the operation of clinics  
27 licensed pursuant to article 16 of the  
28 mental hygiene law including, but not  
29 limited to, supportive and habilitative  
30 services consistent with the home and  
31 community based services waiver.  
32 For the state share of medical assistance  
33 services expenses incurred by the depart-  
34 ment of health for the provision of  
35 medical assistance services to people with  
36 developmental disabilities (37835) ..... 369,352,000  
37 For services and expenses of the community  
38 services program, net of disallowances,  
39 for community programs for people with  
40 developmental disabilities pursuant to  
41 article 41 of the mental hygiene law,  
42 and/or chapter 620 of the laws of 1974,  
43 chapter 660 of the laws of 1977, chapter  
44 412 of the laws of 1981, chapter 27 of the  
45 laws of 1987, chapter 729 of the laws of  
46 1989, chapter 329 of the laws of 1993 and  
47 other provisions of the mental hygiene  
48 law. Notwithstanding any inconsistent  
49 provision of law, the following appropri-  
50 ation shall be net of prior and/or current  
51 year refunds, rebates, reimbursements, and  
52 credits.  
53 Notwithstanding any other provision of law,  
54 advances and reimbursement made pursuant  
55 to subdivision (d) of section 41.15 and  
56 section 41.18 of the mental hygiene law

1 shall be allocated pursuant to a plan and  
2 in a manner prescribed by the agency head  
3 and approved by the director of the budg-  
4 et. The moneys hereby appropriated are  
5 available to reimburse or advance locali-  
6 ties and voluntary non-profit agencies for  
7 expenditures made during local fiscal  
8 periods commencing January 1, 2025, April  
9 1, 2025 or July 1, 2025, and for advances  
10 for the 3 month period beginning January  
11 1, 2026.

12 Notwithstanding the provisions of article 41  
13 of the mental hygiene law or any other  
14 inconsistent provision of law, rule or  
15 regulation, the commissioner, pursuant to  
16 such contract and in the manner provided  
17 therein, may pay all or a portion of the  
18 expenses incurred by such voluntary agen-  
19 cies arising out of loans which are funded  
20 from the proceeds of bonds and notes  
21 issued by the dormitory authority of the  
22 state of New York.

23 Notwithstanding any other provision of law,  
24 the money hereby appropriated may be  
25 transferred to state operations and/or any  
26 appropriation of the office for people  
27 with developmental disabilities with the  
28 approval of the director of the budget.

29 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
30 of law, moneys from this appropriation may  
31 be used for state aid of up to 100 percent  
32 of the net deficit costs of day training  
33 programs and family support services.

34 Notwithstanding the provisions of section  
35 16.23 of the mental hygiene law and any  
36 other inconsistent provision of law, with  
37 relation to the operation of certified  
38 family care homes, including family care  
39 homes sponsored by voluntary not-for-pro-  
40 fit agencies, moneys from this appropri-  
41 ation may be used for payments to purchase  
42 general services including but not limited  
43 to respite providers, up to a maximum of  
44 14 days, at rates to be established by the  
45 commissioner and approved by the director  
46 of the budget in consideration of factors  
47 including, but not limited to, geographic  
48 area and number of clients cared for in  
49 the home and for payment in an amount  
50 determined by the commissioner for the  
51 personal needs of each client residing in  
52 the family care home.

53 Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivi-  
54 sion 12 of section 8 of the state finance  
55 law and any other inconsistent provision  
56 of law, moneys from this appropriation may

1 be used for expenses of family care homes  
2 including payments to operators of certi-  
3 fied family care homes for damages caused  
4 by clients to personal and real property  
5 in accordance with standards established  
6 by the commissioner and approved by the  
7 director of the budget.

8 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
9 of law, moneys from this appropriation may  
10 be used for appropriate day program  
11 services and residential services includ-  
12 ing, but not limited to, direct housing  
13 subsidies to individuals, start-up  
14 expenses for family care providers, envi-  
15 ronmental modifications, adaptive technol-  
16 ogies, appraisals, property options,  
17 feasibility studies and preoperational  
18 expenses.

19 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
20 of law except pursuant to a chapter of the  
21 laws of 2024 authorizing a 2.84 percent  
22 cost of living adjustment, for the period  
23 commencing on April 1, 2024 and ending  
24 March 31, 2025 the commissioner shall not  
25 apply any other cost of living adjustment  
26 for the purpose of establishing rates of  
27 payments, contracts or any other form of  
28 reimbursement; provided that this shall  
29 not prevent the commissioner from applying  
30 prior adjustments for the purpose of  
31 establishing rates resulting from a rebas-  
32 ing of base year costs.

33 Notwithstanding section 6908 of the educa-  
34 tion law and any other provision of law,  
35 rule or regulation to the contrary, direct  
36 support staff in programs certified or  
37 approved by the office for people with  
38 developmental disabilities, including the  
39 home and community based services waiver  
40 programs that the office for people with  
41 developmental disabilities is authorized  
42 to administer with federal approval pursu-  
43 ant to subdivision (c) of section 1915 of  
44 the federal social security act, are  
45 authorized to provide such tasks as OPWDD  
46 may specify when performed under the  
47 supervision, training and periodic  
48 inspection of a registered professional  
49 nurse and in accordance with an authorized  
50 practitioner's ordered care.

51 Notwithstanding any other provision of law  
52 to the contrary, and consistent with  
53 section 33.07 of the mental hygiene law,  
54 the directors of facilities licensed but  
55 not operated by the office for people with  
56 developmental disabilities who act as

1 federally-appointed representative payees  
2 and who assume management responsibility  
3 over the funds of a resident may continue  
4 to use such funds for the cost of the  
5 resident's care and treatment, consistent  
6 with federal law and regulations.

7 Funds appropriated herein shall be available  
8 in accordance with the following:

9 Notwithstanding any other provision of law  
10 to the contrary, funds appropriated herein  
11 are available to reimburse in- and out-of-  
12 state private residential schools, pursu-  
13 ant to subdivision (c) of section 13.37-a  
14 and subdivision (g) of section 13.38 of  
15 the mental hygiene law, for costs of  
16 supporting the residential and day program  
17 services available to individuals who are  
18 over the age of 21 years of age, provided  
19 that the amount paid for residential  
20 services and/or maintenance costs is net  
21 of any supplemental security income bene-  
22 fit to which the individual receiving  
23 services is eligible, and provided further  
24 that funding for nonresidential services  
25 will be in an amount not to exceed the  
26 maximum reimbursement for appropriate day  
27 services delivered by the office for  
28 people with developmental disabilities  
29 certified or approved providers other than  
30 in- and out-of-state private residential  
31 schools, unless otherwise authorized by  
32 the director of the budget.

33 Notwithstanding section 163 of the state  
34 finance law, section 142 of the economic  
35 development law, and article 41 of the  
36 mental hygiene law, the commissioner of  
37 the office for people with developmental  
38 disabilities may make the funds appropri-  
39 ated herein available as state aid, a loan  
40 or a grant, pursuant to terms and condi-  
41 tions established by the commissioner of  
42 the office for people with developmental  
43 disabilities, to cover a portion of the  
44 development costs of private, public  
45 and/or non-profit organizations, including  
46 corporations and partnerships established  
47 pursuant to the private housing finance  
48 law and/or any other statutory provisions,  
49 for supportive housing units that have  
50 been set aside for individuals with intel-  
51 lectual and developmental disabilities.

52 Further, the office for people with develop-  
53 mental disabilities shall have a lien on  
54 the real property developed with such  
55 state aid, loans or grants, which shall be  
56 in the amount of the loan or grant, for a

1	maximum term of 30 years, or other longer	
2	term consistent with the requirements of	
3	another regulatory agency.	
4	For services and expenses related to the	
5	provision of residential services to	
6	people with developmental disabilities	
7	(37802) ..... [ <del>23,448,000</del> ]	<u>28,333,000</u>
8	For services and expenses related to the	
9	provision of day program services to	
10	people with developmental disabilities	
11	(37803) ..... [ <del>5,760,000</del> ]	<u>6,960,000</u>
12	For services and expenses related to the	
13	provision of family support services to	
14	people with developmental disabilities	
15	(37804) ..... [ <del>6,480,000</del> ]	<u>7,830,000</u>
16	For services and expenses related to the	
17	provision of workshop, day training and	
18	employment services to people with devel-	
19	opmental disabilities. Notwithstanding any	
20	other provision of law, up to \$800,000 of	
21	this appropriation may be transferred to	
22	the New York State Education Departments'	
23	Adult Career and Continuing Education	
24	Services - Vocational Rehabilitation	
25	(ACCES-VR) program to support the Long-	
26	Term Sheltered Employment program operated	
27	by FEDCAP Rehabilitation Services, Inc.	
28	(37805) ..... [ <del>3,744,000</del> ]	<u>4,524,000</u>
29	For other services and expenses provided to	
30	people with developmental disabilities	
31	including but not limited to hepatitis B,	
32	care at home waiver, epilepsy services,	
33	Special Olympics New York, Inc. and volun-	
34	tary fingerprinting (37806) .... [ <del>960,000</del> ]	<u>1,160,000</u>
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36 § 9. Section 8 of chapter 113 of the laws of 2025, relating to making  
 37 appropriations for the support of government, as amended by chapter 122  
 38 of the laws of 2025, is amended to read as follows:

39 § 8. The amounts specified in this section, or so much thereof as  
 40 shall be sufficient to accomplish the purposes designated, is hereby  
 41 appropriated and authorized to be paid as hereinafter provided, to the  
 42 public officers and for the purposes specified, which amount shall be  
 43 available for the state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2025.

44 DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES

45 AID TO LOCALITIES

46 BLIND VETERAN ANNUITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ..... 385,000  
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48 General Fund  
 49 Local Assistance Account - 10000

1 For payment of annuities to blind veterans  
 2 and eligible surviving spouses. Up to  
 3 \$15,000 of this appropriation may be  
 4 transferred to state operations for admin-  
 5 istrative costs associated with this  
 6 program (54606) ..... 385,000

7 VETERANS' BENEFITS ADVISING PROGRAM ..... [~~336,000~~] 406,000  
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9 Special Revenue Funds - Other  
 10 Homeless Veterans Assistance Fund  
 11 Homeless Veterans Assistance Account - 20204

12 For services and expenses related to home-  
 13 less veterans' housing (54815) .. [~~336,000~~] 406,000

14 § 10. No expenditure may be made from any appropriation in this act,  
 15 until a certificate of approval has been issued by the director of the  
 16 budget and a copy of such certificate shall have been filed with the  
 17 state comptroller, the chairman of the senate finance committee and the  
 18 chairman of the assembly ways and means committee provided, however,  
 19 that any expenditures from any appropriation in this act made by the  
 20 legislature or judiciary shall not require such certificate.

21 § 11. All expenditures and disbursements made against the appropri-  
 22 ations in this act shall, upon final action by the legislature on appro-  
 23 priation bills submitted by the governor pursuant to article VII of the  
 24 state constitution for the support of government for the state fiscal  
 25 year beginning April 1, 2025, be transferred by the comptroller as  
 26 expenditures and disbursements to such appropriations for all state  
 27 departments and agencies, as applicable, in amounts equal to the amounts  
 28 charged against the appropriations in this act for each such department,  
 29 agency, and the legislature and the judiciary.

30 § 12. Severability clause. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdi-  
 31 vision, section or part of this act shall be adjudged by any court of  
 32 competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect,  
 33 impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in  
 34 its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section  
 35 or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judg-  
 36 ment shall have been rendered. It is hereby declared to be the intent of  
 37 the legislature that this act would have been enacted even if such  
 38 invalid provisions had not been included herein.

39 § 13. This act shall take effect immediately and shall be deemed to  
 40 have been in full force and effect on and after April 1, 2025; provided,  
 41 however, that upon the transfer of expenditures and disbursements by the  
 42 comptroller as provided in section eleven of this act, the appropri-  
 43 ations made by this act and subject to such section shall be deemed  
 44 repealed.