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MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable Marvin L. Abney, Chairman, House Finance Committee
The Honorable Louis P. DiPalma, Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

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Date: March 11, 2026

Subject: Amendments to FY 2026 Revised Appropriations Act (26-H-7126)

Governor's Budget Amendment #3

The Governor requests that several amendments be made to Article 1 of the FY 2026 Revised Appropriations Act. The amendments include changes to the appropriation amounts in Article 1, Relating to Making Revised Appropriations in Support of FY 2026. In general, these amendments seek to correct omissions in recommended appropriations while remaining consistent with the Governor's original intent. In cases in which the amendments reflect updated policy intent or assumptions, a description of each amendment 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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ARTICLE 1, RELATING TO MAKING REVISED APPROPRIATIONS IN SUPPORT OF FY 2026

SECTION 1, REVISED APPROPRIATIONS IN SUPPORT OF FY 2026

Department of Administration

Decrease Federal Funds for the Central Management program, Page 2, Line 17, by \$11,555,807 from \$18,387,362 to \$6,831,555. This amendment decreases ARP Emergency Rental Assistance funds to correctly reflect remaining available funds in FY 2026 (26-DOA1).

Executive Office of Commerce

Increase Other Funds in the Quasi-Public Appropriations program, Page 9, Line 4, by \$17,443, from \$2,457,200 to \$2,474,643. This amendment reflects a correction to align with the amount of RICAP funds included in an MOU agreement the Executive Office of Commerce has entered into with the I-195 Commission (26-EOC1)

Executive Office of Health and Human Services

Decrease Federal Funds for the Central Management program, Page 15, Line 16, by \$3,693,846 from \$79,582,868 to \$75,889,022. This amendment 1) shifts \$1,960,784 Government Efficiency Grant federal funding to support community engagement requirements of the federal reconciliation bill known as H.R. 1 to the Unified Health Infrastructure Project line item in the appropriations act (26-EOHHS1), and 2) removes \$1,733,062 of funding for primary care provider grants that were awarded in FY 2025 that were inadvertently budgeted in FY 2026 (26-EOHHS2).

Page 15, Lines 17-21, Strike the following Language:

“Provided that of this amount, \$1,960,784 shall be for statewide interagency initiatives to implement and support the community engagement requirements of the federal reconciliation bill known as H.R. 1, to be developed and administered in coordination with the Department of Human Services and the Department of Labor and Training, to the extent compliance with guidance from Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.”

Increase the Unified Health Infrastructure Project under Federal Funds, Page 15, Line 26, by \$1,960,784 from \$54,522,612 to \$56,483,396. This amendment shifts Government Efficiency Grant federal funding to support community engagement requirements of the federal reconciliation bill known as H.R. 1 from the Federal Funds line of the Central Management program in the appropriations act to the UHIP subprogram (26-EOHHS1).

Page 15, After Line 26 Insert the following:

“Provided that of this amount, \$1,960,784 shall be for statewide interagency initiatives to implement and support the community engagement requirements of the federal reconciliation bill known as H.R. 1, to be developed and administered in coordination with the Department of Human Services and the Department of Labor and Training, to the extent compliant with guidance from Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.”

Decrease Restricted Receipts for the Central Management program, Page 15, Line 29, by \$3,378,516 from \$35,739,434 to \$32,360,918. This amendment includes two components: 1) This amendment removes funding totaling \$3,433,062 for primary care provider grants that were awarded in FY 2025 that were inadvertently budgeted in FY 2026 (26-EOHHS2) and

2) In accordance with legislation enacted in June 2022 that provides the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (“RGGI”) programmatic funds to the Executive Climate Change Council (“EC4”) to support programmatic and policy efforts for the implementation of the Act on Climate law, this amendment includes a total of \$54,546 through a cooperative agreement with the Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources to the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) for a collaboration with the State’s Equity Zone focusing on climate change and health. Funded activities will include conducting an analysis of communities where the impacts of climate and health are disproportionate and support strategic engagement, providing funding to support impacted communities to convene residents and stakeholders, assess current activities and actions related to climate change, and establish actionable strategies, establish a climate change and environmental determinants of health community of practice (26-EOHHS3).

Department of Children, Youth, and Families

Increase Federal Funds in the Central Management program, Page 16, Line 34, by \$7,616,853, from \$13,942,724 to \$21,559,577. This amendment corrects federal funding for the Department’s Comprehensive Child Welfare Information System (CCWIS) replacement project to align the federal funding level with the state’s general revenue match (26-DCYF1).

Increase Federal Funds in the Youth Development Services program, Page 17, Line 13, by \$497,654, from \$159,770 to \$657,424. This amendment reinstates the Department’s Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) federal grant funding in FY 2026, which was inadvertently excluded from the budget (26-DCYF2).

Department of Health

Increase Federal Funds in the Healthcare Quality and Safety program, Page 19, Line 11, by \$60,320, from \$7,474,880 to \$7,535,200. This amendment corrects the salary and benefits funding for an FTE position in the Healthcare Quality and Safety program that was erroneously misallocated (26-DOH1).

Increase Restricted Receipts in the Healthcare Quality and Safety program, Page 19, Line 12, by \$90,481, from \$956,812 to \$1,047,293. This amendment corrects the salary and benefits funding for an FTE position in the Healthcare Quality and Safety program that was erroneously misallocated (26-DOH1).

Department of Human Services

Increase Federal Funds in the Individual and Family Support program, Page 21, Line 1, by \$80,000, from \$139,288,299 to \$139,368,299. This amendment reflects federal funding obtained from the State Opioid Response Grant through an interagency agreement with BHDDH. The funding will support the creation of the “Incredible Beginnings” program, an expansion of the existing “Incredible Years” program. The program will train early childhood educators and administrators to create supportive and emotionally responsive learning environments (26-DHS1).

Increase Restricted Receipts in the Individual and Family Support program, Page 21, Line 4, by \$15,000, from \$100,000 to \$115,000. This amendment reflects a correction to restore funding to the Organ Transplant Fund, which was inadvertently excluded from the budget (26-DHS2).

Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities and Hospitals

Increase Restricted Receipts in the Behavioral Healthcare Services program, Page 24, Line 2, by \$379,549, from \$15,600,328 to \$15,979,877. This amendment reflects funding obtained from Chickasaw Nation Industries, Inc. on behalf of the federal government to finance the Behavioral Health Data Exchange Pilot (26-BHDDH1).

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

Increase General Revenues in the Administration of the Comprehensive Education Strategy program, Page 25, Line 15, by \$298,867, from \$38,902,654 to \$39,201,521. This amendment increases internal service funds to correctly reflect expected charges, including \$79,287 for facilities management, \$177,127 for electricity and \$42,453 for natural gas (26-RIDE1).

Military Staff

Increase Federal Funds in the Rhode Island National Guard program, Page 35, Line 5, by \$600,000, from \$67,232,266 to \$67,832,266. This amendment reflects federal funding obtained from the National Guard Bureau to finance the Coventry Water Modernization project (26-MIL1).

Department of Transportation

Decrease Other Funds in the Infrastructure Engineering program, Page 39, Line 5, by \$4,942,565, from \$85,371,845 to \$80,429,280. This amendment reflects a reduction in 2.0 cents of the motor fuel tax expenditures dedicated to debt service which, as of December 1, 2025, no motor fuel debt service remains outstanding. (26-DOT1).

Summary of Governor's Article 1 Amendments to FY 2026 Revised Appropriations Act (26-H-7126)

	General Revenue	Federal Funds	Restricted Receipts	Other Funds	Total	Amendment Code (26-AGENCY#)
FY 2026 Revised Expenditures (Original Governor's Recommend)	5,824,705,878	5,496,408,441	554,669,299	3,290,202,954	15,165,986,572	
March 2026 Amendments						
Department of Administration						
<i>ARP ERA: Emergency Rental Assistance</i>		(11,555,807)			(11,555,807)	26-DOA1
Executive Office of Commerce						
<i>I-195 Commission RICAP Correction</i>				17,443	17,443	26-EOC1
Executive Office of Health and Human Services						
<i>Government Efficiency Grant Shift</i>		-			-	26-EOHHS1
<i>Primary Care Provider Grant Correction</i>		(1,733,062)	(3,433,062)		(5,166,124)	26-EOHHS2
<i>RGGI - Executive Climate Change Coordinating Council Project</i>			54,546		54,546	26-EOHHS3
Department of Children, Youth, and Families						
<i>CCWIS Grant Federal Fund Reallocation</i>		7,616,853			7,616,853	26-DCYF1
<i>OJJDP Grant Amendment</i>		497,654			497,654	26-DCYF2
Department of Health						
<i>Personnel Salary and Benefits Reallocation</i>		60,320	90,481		150,801	26-DOH1
Department of Human Services						
<i>CCAP-SOR IV Grant</i>		80,000			80,000	26-DHS1
<i>Organ Transplant Fund</i>			15,000		15,000	26-DHS2
Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities and Hospitals						
<i>Chickasaw Award: Behavioral Health Data Exchange Pilot</i>			379,549		379,549	26-BHDDH1
Department of Elementary and Secondary Education						
<i>Internal Service Fund Adjustments</i>	298,867				298,867	26-RIDE1
Military Staff						
<i>NGB Funds Coventry Water</i>		600,000			600,000	26-MIL1
Department of Transportation						
<i>Motor Fuel 2.0 Cents Allocation</i>				(4,942,565)	(4,942,565)	26-DOT1
Total	298,867	(4,434,042)	(2,893,486)	(4,925,122)	(11,953,783)	
Grand Total	5,825,004,745	5,491,974,399	551,775,813	3,285,277,832	15,154,032,789	