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## MEMORANDUM

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

**From:** Joseph Codega Jr., Budget Officer *John M. Codega Jr.*

**Date:** May 15, 2026

**Subject:** Amendments to FY 2027 Appropriations Act (26-H-7127)

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### Governor's Budget Amendment #11

The Governor also requests an amendment to Article 9 of the FY 2027 Appropriations Act. This amendment reflects updated lease agreements for which the negotiations concluded after the submission of the Governor's Budget.

Governor's Budget Amendments #10 and Governor's Budget Amendment #11 are submitted as related amendments, with Amendment #10 making the necessary appropriation changes and Amendment #11 revising the corresponding lease resolutions.

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

cc: Sharon Reynolds Ferland, House Fiscal Advisor  
Stephen Whitney, Senate Fiscal Advisor  
Thomas Verdi, Acting Director of Administration  
Brian Daniels, Director, Office of Management and Budget

**26-H-7127: RELATING TO MAKING APPROPRIATIONS IN SUPPORT OF FY 2027**

**Article 9 – RELATING TO LEASES**

**SECTION 3**

Page 183, Line 22. Strike “115,328” and replace with “approximately 115,733”.

Page 183, Line 34. Strike “\$2,600,000” and replace with “2,761,716”.

Page 183, Line 34. Strike “\$2,800,000” and replace with “2,952,675”.

Page 184, Line 11. Strike “\$27,000,000” and replace with “28,571,955”.

Page 184, Line 15. Strike “the Secretary of State,”.

**SECTION 4**

Page 185, Line 2. Strike “\$435,093.96” and replace with “\$483,619”.

Page 185, Line 12. Strike “\$2,175,469.80” and replace with “\$2,418,095”.

Page 185, Line 16. Strike “the Secretary of State,”.

Page 185, after Line 18. Add New Section 5 and renumber subsequent section accordingly:

**“SECTION 5. Rhode Island Department of Human Services, 77 Dorrance Street, Providence.**

WHEREAS, the Rhode Island Department of Human Services currently occupies 25,812 square feet at 77 Dorrance Street in the City of Providence; and

WHEREAS, the Rhode Island Department of Human Services currently holds a lease agreement in full force and effect, with 77 Dorrance, LLC for 25,812 square feet of office and customer service space located at 77 Dorrance Street, in the City of Providence; and

WHEREAS, the existing lease expires on August 31, 2026, and the Rhode Island Department of Human Services wishes to enter into a new lease agreement for a period of five years (5) years; and

WHEREAS, the State of Rhode Island, acting by and through the Department of Human Services attests to the fact that there are no clauses in the lease agreement with 77 Dorrance, LLC that would interfere with the Department of Human Service’s lease agreement or use of the facility; and

WHEREAS, the leased premises provide a critical location for the offices of the Department of Human Services from which the agency can fulfill its mission; and

WHEREAS, the annual fixed rent in the agreement in the current fiscal year, ending June 30, 2026 is \$412,992; and

WHEREAS, the annual fixed rent of the agreement in the five (5) years of the renewal term will not exceed \$500,753; and

WHEREAS, the payment of the annual fixed rent will be made from funds available to the Department of Human Services for the payments of rental and lease costs based on annual appropriations made by the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, the State Properties Committee now respectfully requests the approval of the Rhode Island House of Representatives and the Rhode Island Senate for the lease agreement between the Department of Human Services and 77 Dorrance, LLC for lease space located at 77 Dorrance Street, Providence; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that this General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island hereby approves the lease agreement, for a term not to exceed five (5) years and an aggregate fixed rent not to exceed \$2,503,765; and it be further

RESOLVED, that this Joint Resolution shall take effect upon passage by the General Assembly; and it be further

RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State is hereby authorized and directed to transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to the Governor, the Department of Human Services, the Director of Administration, the State Budget Officer, and the Chair of the State Properties Committee.