

# Analysis of Finance Advisory Committee Meeting Items

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## FAC 2023-13 Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity

Account	Original Appropriation	Prior Policy Actions <sup>1</sup>	Proposed FAC Transfer		Available Funding Post FAC Action
			FROM (Decrease)	TO (Increase)	
Other Expenses	60,000	-	(15,000)	-	45,000
Personal Services	751,954	-	-	15,000	766,954
<b>TOTAL - General Fund</b>			<b>(15,000)</b>	<b>15,000</b>	

*Funding is available for transfer from this account due to the following:*

- Other Expenses - the agency has utilized outside funds to support many of its initiatives resulting in the available surplus.

*Funding is needed for transfer to this account due to the following:*

- Personal Services - the FY 23 appropriation for this account did not cover the total cost of compensation (promotions, merit increases, and cost of living adjustments) for this agency.

*Holdbacks and lapses:*

There are no holdbacks or lapses associates with this agency.

## FAC 2023-14 Department of Veterans' Affairs

Account	Original Appropriation	Prior Policy Actions <sup>1</sup>	Proposed FAC Transfer		Available Funding Post FAC Action
			FROM (Decrease)	TO (Increase)	
Personal Services	20,913,434	2,658,297	(250,000)	-	23,321,731
Other Expenses	3,029,113	-	-	250,000	3,279,113
<b>TOTAL - General Fund</b>			<b>(250,000)</b>	<b>250,000</b>	

*Funding is available for transfer from this account due to the following:*

- Personal Services - Attrition savings and delays in refilling vacant positions.

*Funding is needed for transfer to this account due to the following:*

- Other Expenses - Greater than expected inflationary costs, including utility costs that have consumed 53% of the agency's FY 23 OE appropriation.

*Holdbacks and lapses:*

There are no holdbacks applied to these accounts.

## FAC 2023-15 Division of Criminal Justice

Account	Original Appropriation	Prior Policy Actions <sup>1</sup>	Proposed FAC Transfer		Available Funding Post FAC Action
			FROM (Decrease)	TO (Increase)	
Personal Services	50,262,451	5,396,936	(130,000)	-	55,529,387
Witness Protection	164,148	-	-	130,000	294,148
<b>TOTAL - General Fund</b>			<b>(130,000)</b>	<b>130,000</b>	

*Funding is available for transfer from this account due to the following:*

- Personal Services - Delay in filling approximately 50 vacancies and attrition savings.

*Funding is needed for transfer to this account due to the following:*

- Witness Protection - Utilization of this program has been higher than in past fiscal years due to the number of arrests and types of cases.

*Holdbacks and lapses:*

There are no holdbacks to these accounts. This reduces the amount available to lapse from Personal Services to about \$6.9 million.

## FAC 2023-17 Department of Banking

Account	Original Appropriation	Prior Policy Actions <sup>1</sup>	Proposed FAC Transfer		Available Funding Post FAC Action
			FROM (Decrease)	TO (Increase)	
Equipment	44,900	-	(44,900)	-	-
Other Expenses	1,266,070	-	-	44,900	1,310,970
<b>TOTAL - Banking Fund</b>			<b>(44,900)</b>	<b>44,900</b>	

*Funding is available for transfer from this account due to the following:*

- Equipment - Funds in this account were allocated for the purpose of IT optimization, but expenses were incorrectly charged to Other Expenses.

*Funding is needed for transfer to this account due to the following:*

- Other Expenses - This account was incorrectly charged for IT optimization expenses.

*Holdbacks and lapses:*

There are no holdbacks or lapses within these accounts.

## FAC 2023-17 Department of Public Health

Account	Original Appropriation	Prior Policy Actions <sup>1</sup>	Proposed FAC Transfer		Available Funding Post FAC Action
			FROM (Decrease)	TO (Increase)	
Personal Services	36,700,300	2,892,086	(1,713,483)	-	37,878,903
Other Expenses	6,572,287	1,706,528	-	1,706,528	9,985,343
Local and District Departments of Health	7,179,622	6,955	-	6,955	7,193,532
<b>TOTAL - General Fund</b>			<b>(1,713,483)</b>	<b>1,713,483</b>	

*Funding is available for transfer from this account due to the following:*

- Personal Services - As of 4/4/2023, the Department of Public Health (DPH) has 327 full-time equivalent positions (FTEs) filled and 145 vacant FTEs. Of these vacant positions, 98 are in various stages of the hiring process, and 47 are not under active recruitment status. In the absence of this transfer to the Other Expenses and Local and District Department of Health accounts, the Personal Services account is anticipated to lapse \$5.3 million by the end of FY 23.

*Funding is needed for transfer to this account due to the following:*

- Other Expenses - A projected deficiency totaling \$1,706,528 reflects the following unanticipated expenses:
  - \$739,545 is needed for increased electricity rate and delivery charges for the State Public Health Laboratory. Recently, Eversource raised its rates from an average of \$0.14 per kilowatt to an average of \$0.35 per kilowatt. The State Public Health Laboratory serves communities through the analysis of clinical specimens and environmental samples submitted by federal and state agencies, local health departments and districts, clinical laboratories, healthcare providers, and water utilities. It provides over two million test results on approximately 250,000 specimens and samples it receives each year.
  - \$394,735 is needed for the Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) Sponsorship Initiative. This cost reflects the sponsorship of LPN students at Stone Academy. The program's purpose is to ensure that LPN graduates and new licensees have the training required to successful practice as LPNs and remain in the healthcare workforce.
  - \$280,648 is needed for temporary staff recruited through staffing agencies to support DPH operations, primarily in contracts management and fiscal services. The delay in filling vacant positions is primarily due to retirements, resignations, and the transfer of staff to other State agencies, which has required continued use of temporary staffing.
  - \$141,600 is needed to cover the cost of the administration of MPOX vaccines to mitigate the Connecticut outbreak.
  - \$150,000 is needed for auditing of service providers that performed COVID-19 testing at long-term care facilities, which were supported by the Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund. The audit is being conducted by Marcum LLP. It involves approximately eight service providers with contracts totaling approximately \$52 million.

- Local and District Departments of Health - A projected deficiency of \$6,955 in FY 23 is anticipated due to the Sharon Health Department merging with the Housatonic Valley Health District prior to 6/1/23. Currently, as a part-time municipal health department, the Sharon Health Department is ineligible for a DPH per capita grant unless it merges with: (A) another municipal health department that (1) employs a full-time director of health, (2) submits a public health program and budget which is approved by DPH, (3) appropriates not less than \$1 per capita from annual tax receipts for health department services, and (4) has a population of at least 50,000, or (B) a health district that has a population of at least 50,000 or serves at least three municipalities, provided that (1) DPH approves the district's public health program and budget, and (2) the towns, cities, and boroughs of such district appropriate from annual tax receipts for the maintenance of the health district not less than \$1 per capita.

*Holdbacks and lapses:*

This transfer will decrease the Personal Services account funds available to lapse in FY 23 from \$5,300,000 to \$3,586,517. There are no holdbacks associated with these accounts.



## FAC 2023-18 Connecticut Technical Education and Career System

Account	Original Appropriation	Prior Policy Actions <sup>1</sup>	Proposed FAC Transfer		Available Funding Post FAC Action
			FROM (Decrease)	TO (Increase)	
Personal Services	147,409,256	18,695,303	(2,500,000)	-	163,604,559
Other Expenses	22,668,577	-	-	2,500,000	25,168,577
<b>TOTAL - General Fund</b>			<b>(2,500,000)</b>	<b>2,500,000</b>	

*Funding is available for transfer from this account due to the following:*

- Personal Services - A delay in refilling vacant positions.

*Funding is needed for transfer to this account due to the following:*

- Other Expenses - Increased costs for utilities and payments for year-end renewals for subscription services across the district. Since FY 22, projected utility costs district wide have increased from approximately \$11.8 million to a projected \$13.5 million for FY 23.

*Holdbacks and lapses:*

The transfer reduces the projected Personal Services lapse to \$500,000 and the anticipated Other Expenses deficiency to \$2.5 million. There are no holdbacks to these accounts.

*Questions:*

How much of the transferred funding is attributable to utilities and how much is attributable to renewal subscriptions?

## FAC 2023-19 Office of Early Childhood

Account	Original Appropriation	Prior Policy Actions <sup>1</sup>	Proposed FAC Transfer		Available Funding Post FAC Action
			FROM (Decrease)	TO (Increase)	
Early Care and Education	160,386,759	14,258,490	(800,000)	-	173,845,249
Birth to Three	29,452,407	-	-	800,000	30,252,407
<b>TOTAL - General Fund</b>			<b>(800,000)</b>	<b>800,000</b>	

*Funding is available for transfer from this account due to the following:*

- Early Care and Education - Open slots under the School Readiness and Child Day Care contracts.

*Funding is needed for transfer to this account due to the following:*

- Birth to Three - An increase in referrals to the program and an increase in the Generalized Administrative Payment (GAP) from \$100 to \$200 per child.

*Holdbacks and lapses:*

There are no holdbacks applied to these accounts.

## FAC 2023-20 Department of Children and Families

Account	Original Appropriation	Prior Policy Actions <sup>1</sup>	Proposed FAC Transfer		Available Funding Post FAC Action
			FROM (Decrease)	TO (Increase)	
Personal Services	284,939,407	31,013,679	(2,550,000)	-	313,403,086
Other Expenses	28,255,812	2,550,000	-	2,550,000	33,355,812
<b>TOTAL - General Fund</b>			<b>(2,550,000)</b>	<b>2,550,000</b>	

*Funding is available for transfer from this account due to the following:*

- Personal Services - As of 4/13/2023, the Department of Children and Families (DCF) has 2,649 full-time equivalent positions (FTEs) filled, 60 part-time positions filled, 310 vacant FTEs, and 54 vacant part-time positions. In the absence of this transfer to the Other Expenses account, the Personal Services account is anticipated to lapse \$22.5 million by the end of FY 23.

*Funding is needed for transfer to this account due to the following:*

- Other Expenses - Funding of \$2,550,000 is necessary in FY 23 to address shortfalls attributed to increased costs for vehicle rental and fuel, utilities, increases in newly negotiated statewide security and cleaning service contracts, and the increased use of contracted IT consultant services due to vacancies, as reflected in the table below.

Item	Projected FY 23 Deficit
Vehicle Rental & Fuel Costs	(\$740,317)
Utilities	(\$734,620)
Security Contracts	(\$352,039)
Cleaning Service Contracts	(\$217,908)
IT Consultants	(\$505,116)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$2,550,000)</b>

*Holdbacks and lapses:*

This transfer will decrease the Personal Services account funds available to lapse in FY 23 from \$22,500,000 to \$19,950,000. There are no holdbacks associated with these accounts.

## FAC 2023-21 Public Defender Services Commission

Account	Original Appropriation	Prior Policy Actions <sup>1</sup>	Proposed FAC Transfer		Available Funding Post FAC Action
			FROM (Decrease)	TO (Increase)	
Personal Services	45,690,053	5,336,901	(152,500)	-	50,874,454
Training And Education	119,748	-	-	152,500	272,248
<b>TOTAL - General Fund</b>			<b>(152,500)</b>	<b>152,500</b>	

*Funding is available to transfer from this account due to the following:*

- Personal Services- Delay in filling approximately 30 vacancies and attrition savings.

*Funding is needed for transfer to this account due to the following:*

- Training and Education- Increase in training initiatives including DefenderLab, DAS continuing education classes, and various out of state trainings.

*Holdbacks and lapses:*

The transfer decreases the Personal Services funds available to lapse to about \$789,500. There are no holdbacks associated with these accounts.

## Appendix A: Projected Account Balances for Agencies on this Agenda (After Proposed FAC Transfer(s))

<b>Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity</b>				
	<b>Original Appropriation<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Available Funding<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Estimated Expenditures</b>	<b>Estimated Surplus/(Deficiency)</b>
Personal Services	751,954	766,954	766,954	-
Other Expenses	60,000	45,000	45,000	-
<b>TOTAL - General Fund</b>	<b>811,954</b>	<b>811,954</b>	<b>811,954</b>	-

<b>Department of Veterans' Affairs</b>				
	<b>Original Appropriation<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Available Funding<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Estimated Expenditures</b>	<b>Estimated Surplus/(Deficiency)</b>
Personal Services	20,913,434	23,321,731	23,321,731	-
Other Expenses	3,029,113	3,279,113	3,279,113	-
SSMF Administration	511,396	539,063	511,396	27,667
Veterans' Rally Point	500,000	500,000	500,000	-
Burial Expenses	6,666	6,666	6,666	-
Headstones	307,834	307,834	307,834	-
<b>TOTAL - General Fund</b>	<b>25,268,443</b>	<b>27,954,407</b>	<b>27,926,740</b>	<b>27,667</b>

<b>Division of Criminal Justice</b>				
	<b>Original Appropriation<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Available Funding<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Estimated Expenditures</b>	<b>Estimated Surplus/(Deficiency)</b>
Personal Services	50,262,451	55,529,387	48,459,387	7,070,000
Other Expenses	4,853,116	4,853,116	4,818,116	35,000
Witness Protection	164,148	294,148	359,148	(65,000)
Training And Education	147,398	147,398	77,398	70,000
Expert Witnesses	135,413	135,413	105,413	30,000
Medicaid Fraud Control	1,313,872	1,485,784	1,385,784	100,000
Criminal Justice Commission	409	409	409	-
Cold Case Unit	239,872	296,903	381,903	(85,000)
Shooting Taskforce	1,192,844	1,384,285	1,559,285	(175,000)
<b>TOTAL - General Fund</b>	<b>58,309,523</b>	<b>64,126,843</b>	<b>57,146,843</b>	<b>6,980,000</b>

<b>Department of Banking</b>				
	<b>Original Appropriation<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Available Funding<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Estimated Expenditures</b>	<b>Estimated Surplus/(Deficiency)</b>
Personal Services	12,339,923	13,778,990	13,778,990	-
Other Expenses	1,266,070	1,310,970	1,266,070	44,900
Equipment	44,900	-	44,900	(44,900)
Fringe Benefits	11,224,469	11,224,469	11,224,469	-
Indirect Overhead	554,708	554,708	554,708	-
<b>TOTAL - Banking Fund</b>	<b>25,430,070</b>	<b>26,869,137</b>	<b>26,869,137</b>	-

<sup>1</sup> Includes appropriated accounts from all appropriated funds.

<sup>2</sup> Includes all anticipated and enacted holdbacks (forced lapses), rescissions, and transfers.

<b>Department of Public Health</b>				
	<b>Original Appropriation<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Available Funding<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Estimated Expenditures</b>	<b>Estimated Surplus/(Deficiency)</b>
Personal Services	36,700,300	41,305,869	36,005,869	5,300,000
Other Expenses	6,572,287	6,572,287	8,272,287	(1,700,000)
LGBTQ Health and Human Services Network	250,000	250,000	100,000	150,000
Office of Pandemic Preparedness	300,000	300,000	278,000	22,000
Tobacco Prevention	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	-
Gun Violence Prevention	400,000	400,000	400,000	-
Community Health Services	1,696,753	1,851,235	1,851,235	-
Rape Crisis	548,128	600,893	600,893	-
Local and District Departments of Health	7,179,622	7,179,622	7,179,622	-
School Based Health Clinics	10,680,828	11,544,057	11,544,057	-
<b>TOTAL - General Fund</b>	<b>65,327,918</b>	<b>71,003,963</b>	<b>67,231,963</b>	<b>3,772,000</b>

<b>Connecticut Technical Education and Career System</b>				
	<b>Original Appropriation<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Available Funding<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Estimated Expenditures</b>	<b>Estimated Surplus/(Deficiency)</b>
Personal Services	147,409,256	163,604,559	163,104,559	500,000
Other Expenses	22,668,577	25,168,577	27,668,577	(2,500,000)
<b>TOTAL - General Fund</b>	<b>170,077,833</b>	<b>188,773,136</b>	<b>190,773,136</b>	<b>(2,000,000)</b>

<b>Office of Early Childhood</b>				
	<b>Original Appropriation<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Available Funding<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Estimated Expenditures</b>	<b>Estimated Surplus/(Deficiency)</b>
Personal Services	9,343,095	10,442,015	10,442,015	-
Other Expenses	319,731	319,731	319,731	-
Birth to Three	29,452,407	30,252,407	29,452,407	800,000
Evenstart	295,456	295,456	295,456	-
2Gen - TANF	412,500	412,500	412,500	-
Nurturing Families Network	10,347,422	12,139,479	12,139,479	-
Early Child Care Provider Stabilization Payments	50,000,000	50,000,000	50,000,000	-
Head Start Services	5,083,238	5,083,238	5,083,238	-
Care4Kids TANF/CCDF	59,527,096	59,527,096	59,527,096	-
Child Care Quality Enhancements	5,954,530	5,954,530	5,954,530	-
Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	-
Early Care and Education	160,386,759	173,845,249	174,645,249	(800,000)
Smart Start	3,325,000	3,325,000	3,325,000	-
<b>TOTAL - General Fund</b>	<b>335,947,234</b>	<b>353,096,701</b>	<b>353,096,701</b>	<b>-</b>

<b>Department of Children and Families</b>				
	<b>Original Appropriation<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Available Funding<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Estimated Expenditures</b>	<b>Estimated Surplus/(Deficiency)</b>
Personal Services	284,939,407	318,503,086	296,003,086	22,500,000
Other Expenses	28,255,812	28,255,812	30,805,812	(2,550,000)
Family Support Services	946,637	1,035,708	1,035,708	-
Differential Response System	8,359,970	9,140,801	9,140,801	-
Regional Behavioral Health Consultation	1,646,024	1,774,291	1,774,291	-
Community Care Coordination	7,979,078	8,410,746	8,410,746	-
Health Assessment and Consultation	1,425,668	1,555,583	1,555,583	-
Grants for Psychiatric Clinics for Children	16,475,467	17,733,318	17,733,318	-
Day Treatment Centers for Children	7,311,795	7,999,155	7,999,155	-
Child Abuse and Neglect Intervention	9,889,765	10,794,912	10,794,912	-
Community Based Prevention Programs	8,527,800	9,212,132	9,212,132	-

<b>Department of Children and Families</b>				
	<b>Original Appropriation<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Available Funding<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Estimated Expenditures</b>	<b>Estimated Surplus/(Deficiency)</b>
Family Violence Outreach and Counseling	3,745,405	4,063,678	4,063,678	-
Supportive Housing	19,886,064	20,805,454	20,805,454	-
No Nexus Special Education	3,110,820	3,110,820	2,010,820	1,100,000
Family Preservation Services	6,594,028	7,214,375	7,214,375	-
Substance Abuse Treatment	9,186,495	9,958,937	9,958,937	-
Child Welfare Support Services	2,560,026	2,804,494	2,804,494	-
Board and Care for Children - Adoption	109,384,511	109,384,511	106,884,511	2,500,000
Board and Care for Children - Foster	137,349,565	140,677,583	118,277,583	22,400,000
Board and Care for Children - Short-term and Residential	77,131,028	83,283,616	67,083,616	16,200,000
Individualized Family Supports	5,225,000	5,319,100	3,819,100	1,500,000
Community Kidcare	44,728,723	48,291,290	48,291,290	-
Covenant to Care	165,602	181,102	181,102	-
Juvenile Review Boards	1,569,411	1,693,536	1,693,536	-
Youth Transition and Success Programs	450,000	490,545	490,545	-
Youth Service Bureaus	2,654,772	2,705,240	2,705,240	-
Youth Service Bureau Enhancement	1,093,973	1,115,161	1,115,161	-
<b>TOTAL - General Fund</b>	<b>800,592,846</b>	<b>855,514,986</b>	<b>791,864,986</b>	<b>63,650,000</b>

<b>Public Defender Services Commission</b>				
	<b>Original Appropriation<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Available Funding<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Estimated Expenditures</b>	<b>Estimated Surplus/(Deficiency)</b>
Personal Services	45,690,053	50,874,454	49,932,954	941,500
Other Expenses	1,565,163	1,565,163	1,565,163	-
Assigned Counsel - Criminal	23,222,393	23,222,393	21,232,393	1,990,000
Expert Witnesses	2,775,604	2,775,604	2,625,604	150,000
Training And Education	119,748	272,248	272,248	-
<b>Total - General Fund</b>	<b>73,372,961</b>	<b>78,709,862</b>	<b>75,628,362</b>	<b>3,081,500</b>