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# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

March 30, 2026

Introduced by Sen. KRUEGER -- (at request of the Governor) -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT making appropriations for the support of government; 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, 2026 are enacted.

8 § 2. The amounts specified in this section, or so much thereof as  
 9 shall be sufficient to accomplish the purposes designated, is hereby  
 10 appropriated and authorized to be paid as hereinafter provided, to the  
 11 public officers and for the purpose specified, which amount shall be  
 12 available for the state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2026.

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14 For the purpose of making payments for  
 15 personal service, including liabilities  
 16 incurred prior to April 1, 2026, on the  
 17 payrolls scheduled to be paid during the  
 18 period April 1 through April 7, 2026 to  
 19 state officers and employees of the execu-  
 20 tive branch. This appropriation also  
 21 includes payments for services performed  
 22 by mentally ill or developmentally disa-  
 23 bled persons who are employed in state-op-  
 24 erated special employment, work-for-pay or  
 25 sheltered workshop programs ..... 247,904,000

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

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2 § 3. The amount specified in this section, or so much thereof as shall  
3 be sufficient to accomplish the purpose designated, is hereby appropri-  
4 ated and authorized to be paid as hereinafter provided, to the public  
5 officers and for the purpose specified, which amount shall be available  
6 for the state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2026.

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8 For the payment of state operations non  
9 personal service liabilities to the execu-  
10 tive branch, including the comptroller,  
11 and the attorney general, incurred in the  
12 ordinary course of business, during the  
13 period April 1 through April 7, 2026,  
14 pursuant to existing state law and for  
15 purposes for which the legislature author-  
16 ized the expenditure of moneys during the  
17 2025-2026 state fiscal year; provided,  
18 however, that nothing contained herein  
19 shall be deemed to limit or restrict the  
20 power or authority of state departments or  
21 agencies to conduct their activities or  
22 operations in accordance with existing  
23 law, and further provided that nothing  
24 contained herein shall be deemed to super-  
25 sede, nullify or modify the provisions of  
26 section 40 of the state finance law  
27 prescribing when appropriations made for  
28 the 2025-2026 state fiscal year shall have  
29 ceased to have force and effect ..... 10,000,000  
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31 § 4. The amounts specified in this section, or so much thereof as  
32 shall be sufficient to accomplish the purposes designated, is hereby  
33 appropriated and authorized to be paid as hereinafter provided, to the  
34 public officers and for the purposes specified, which amount shall be  
35 available for the state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2026.

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MISCELLANEOUS -- ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

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GENERAL STATE CHARGES

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STATE OPERATIONS

39 GENERAL STATE CHARGES ..... 22,525,000  
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General Fund

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State Purposes Account - 10050

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44 For employee fringe benefits according to  
45 the following project schedule including  
46 those benefits which are related to  
employees paid from funds, accounts, or

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1 programs where the division of the budget  
 2 has issued waivers ..... 22,525,000

3 Project Schedule	
4 PROJECT	AMOUNT
5 -----	
6 For the state's contribution	
7 to the social security	
8 contribution fund .....	21,500,000
9 For the payment of the metro-	
10 politan commuter transporta-	
11 tion mobility tax pursuant	
12 to article 23 of the tax	
13 law, as added by chapter 25	
14 of the laws of 2009, on	
15 behalf of the state employ-	
16 ees employed in the metro-	
17 politan commuter transporta-	
18 tion district .....	675,000
19 For the state's share of	
20 contributions to the volun-	
21 tary defined contribution	
22 plan made on behalf of	
23 eligible employees pursuant	
24 to chapter 18 of the laws of	
25 2012 who elect to partic-	
26 ipate in such plan and who	
27 are not otherwise eligible	
28 to participate in the SUNY	
29 optional retirement program .....	350,000
30	-----
31 Project schedule total ....	22,525,000
32	-----

33 § 5. The amounts specified in this section, or so much thereof as  
 34 shall be sufficient to accomplish the purposes designated, is hereby  
 35 appropriated and authorized to be paid as hereinafter provided, to the  
 36 public officers and for the purposes specified, which amount shall be  
 37 available for the state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2026.

38 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

39 AID TO LOCALITIES

40 CENTER FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH PROGRAM ..... 6,420,000  
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42 Special Revenue Funds – Federal  
 43 Federal USDA–Food and Nutrition Services Fund  
 44 Federal Food and Nutrition Services Account – 25022

45 For various federal food and nutritional  
 46 services. The moneys hereby appropriated  
 47 shall be available for payment of finan-  
 48 cial assistance heretofore accrued (26986) ... 6,420,000  
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1	MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM .....	609,931,000
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3     General Fund  
4     Local Assistance Account - 10000

5 For the medical assistance program, includ-  
6 ing administrative expenses, for local  
7 social services districts, and for medical  
8 care rates for authorized child care agen-  
9 cies.

10 Notwithstanding section 40 of the state  
11 finance law or any provision of law to the  
12 contrary, subject to federal approval,  
13 department of health state funds medicaid  
14 spending, excluding payments for medical  
15 services provided at state facilities  
16 operated by the office of mental health,  
17 the office for people with developmental  
18 disabilities and the office of addiction  
19 services and supports and further exclud-  
20 ing any payments which are not appropri-  
21 ated within the department of health, in  
22 the aggregate, for the period April 1,  
23 2026 through March 31, 2027, shall not  
24 exceed \$36,099,200,000 except as provided  
25 below provided, however, such aggregate  
26 limits may be adjusted by the director of  
27 the budget to account for any changes in  
28 the New York state federal medical assist-  
29 ance percentage amount established pursu-  
30 ant to the federal social security act,  
31 increases in provider revenues, reductions  
32 in local social services district payments  
33 for medical assistance administration,  
34 minimum wage increases, and beginning  
35 April 1, 2012 the operational costs of the  
36 New York state medical indemnity fund,  
37 pursuant to chapter 59 of the laws of  
38 2011, and state costs or savings from the  
39 essential plan program. Such projections  
40 may be adjusted by the director of the  
41 budget to account for increased or expe-  
42 dited department of health state funds  
43 medicaid expenditures as a result of a  
44 natural or other type of disaster, includ-  
45 ing a governmental declaration of emergen-  
46 cy.

47 The director of the budget, in consultation  
48 with the commissioner of health, shall  
49 assess on a quarterly basis known and  
50 projected medicaid expenditures by catego-  
51 ry of service and by geographic region, as  
52 defined by the commissioner, incurred both  
53 prior to and subsequent to such assessment  
54 for each such period, and if the director

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1 of the budget determines that such expend-  
2 itures are expected to cause medicaid  
3 spending for such period to exceed the  
4 aggregate limit specified herein for such  
5 period, the state medicaid director, in  
6 consultation with the director of the  
7 budget and the commissioner of health,  
8 shall develop a medicaid savings allo-  
9 cation adjustment to limit such spending  
10 to the aggregate limit specified herein  
11 for such period.

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

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1 underserved communities; or the potential  
2 benefits of pursuing innovative payment  
3 models contemplated by the Affordable Care  
4 Act, in which case such grounds shall be  
5 set forth in the medicaid savings allo-  
6 cation adjustment; and (5) reductions  
7 shall be made in a manner that does not  
8 unnecessarily create administrative  
9 burdens to medicaid applicants and recipi-  
10 ents or providers.

11 The commissioner shall seek the input of the  
12 legislature, as well as organizations  
13 representing health care providers,  
14 consumers, businesses, workers, health  
15 insurers, and others with relevant exper-  
16 tise, in developing such medicaid savings  
17 allocation adjustment, to the extent that  
18 all or part of such adjustment, in the  
19 discretion of the commissioner, is likely  
20 to have a material impact on the overall  
21 medicaid program, particular categories of  
22 service or particular geographic regions  
23 of the state.

24 (a) The commissioner shall post the medicaid  
25 savings allocation adjustment on the  
26 department of health's website and shall  
27 provide written copies of such adjustment  
28 to the chairs of the senate finance and  
29 the assembly ways and means committees at  
30 least 30 days before the date on which  
31 implementation is expected to begin.

32 (b) The commissioner may revise the medicaid  
33 savings allocation adjustment subsequent  
34 to the provisions of notice and prior to  
35 implementation but needs to provide a new  
36 notice pursuant to subparagraph (i) of  
37 this paragraph only if the commissioner  
38 determines, in his or her discretion, that  
39 such revisions materially alter the  
40 adjustment.

41 Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs  
42 (a) and (b) of this subdivision, the  
43 commissioner need not seek the input  
44 described in paragraph (a) of this subdivi-  
45 sion or provide notice pursuant to para-  
46 graph (b) of this subdivision if, in the  
47 discretion of the commissioner, expedited  
48 development and implementation of a medi-  
49 caid savings allocation adjustment is  
50 necessary due to a public health emergen-  
51 cy.

52 For purposes of this section, a public  
53 health emergency is defined as: (i) a  
54 disaster, natural or otherwise, that  
55 significantly increases the immediate need  
56 for health care personnel in an area of

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1 the state; (ii) an event or condition that  
2 creates a widespread risk of exposure to a  
3 serious communicable disease, or the  
4 potential for such widespread risk of  
5 exposure; or (iii) any other event or  
6 condition determined by the commissioner  
7 to constitute an imminent threat to public  
8 health.

9 Nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to  
10 prevent all or part of such medicaid  
11 savings allocation adjustment from taking  
12 effect retroactively to the extent permit-  
13 ted by the federal centers for medicare  
14 and medicaid services.

15 In accordance with the medicaid savings  
16 allocation adjustment, the commissioner of  
17 the department of health shall reduce  
18 department of health state funds medicaid  
19 spending by the amount of the projected  
20 overspending through, actions including,  
21 but not limited to modifying or suspending  
22 reimbursement methods, including but not  
23 limited to all fees, premium levels and  
24 rates of payment, notwithstanding any  
25 provision of law that sets a specific  
26 amount or methodology for any such  
27 payments or rates of payment; modifying or  
28 discontinuing medicaid program benefits;  
29 seeking all necessary federal approvals,  
30 including, but not limited to waivers,  
31 waiver amendments; and suspending time  
32 frames for notice, approval or certif-  
33 ication of rate requirements, notwith-  
34 standing any provision of law, rule or  
35 regulation to the contrary, including but  
36 not limited to sections 2807 and 3614 of  
37 the public health law, section 18 of chap-  
38 ter 2 of the laws of 1988, and 18 NYCRR  
39 505.14(h).

40 The department of health shall prepare a  
41 quarterly report that sets forth: (a)  
42 known and projected department of health  
43 medicaid expenditures as described in  
44 subdivision (1) of this section, and  
45 factors that could result in medicaid  
46 disbursements for the relevant state  
47 fiscal year to exceed the projected  
48 department of health state funds disburse-  
49 ments in the enacted budget financial plan  
50 pursuant to subdivision 3 of section 23 of  
51 the state finance law, including spending  
52 increases or decreases due to: enrollment  
53 fluctuations, rate changes, utilization  
54 changes, MRT investments, and shift of  
55 beneficiaries to managed care; and vari-  
56 ations in offline medicaid payments; and

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1 (b) the actions taken to implement any  
2 medicaid savings allocation adjustment  
3 implemented pursuant to subdivision (4) of  
4 this section, including information  
5 concerning the impact of such actions on  
6 each category of service and each  
7 geographic region of the state. Each such  
8 quarterly report shall be provided to the  
9 chairs of the senate finance and the  
10 assembly ways and means committees and  
11 shall be posted on the department of  
12 health's website in a timely manner.

13 The money hereby appropriated is to be  
14 available for payment of aid heretofore  
15 accrued or hereafter accrued to munici-  
16 palities, and to providers of medical  
17 services pursuant to section 367-b of the  
18 social services law, and for payment of  
19 state aid to municipalities and to provid-  
20 ers of family care where payment systems  
21 through the fiscal intermediaries are not  
22 operational.

23 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
24 of law to the contrary, funds may be used  
25 by the department for outside legal  
26 assistance on issues involving the federal  
27 government, the conduct of preadmission  
28 screening and annual resident reviews  
29 required by the state's medicaid program,  
30 computer matching with insurance carriers  
31 to insure that medicaid is the payer of  
32 last resort and activities related to the  
33 management of the pharmacy benefit avail-  
34 able under the medicaid program.

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

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1 to section 367-b of the social services  
2 law.

3 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
4 of law, funding made available by these  
5 appropriations shall support direct salary  
6 costs and related fringe benefits within  
7 the medical assistance program associated  
8 with any minimum wage increase that takes  
9 effect during the timeframe of these  
10 appropriations, pursuant to section 652 of  
11 the labor law. Each eligible organization  
12 in receipt of funding made available by  
13 these appropriations may be required to  
14 submit written certification, in such form  
15 and at such time the commissioner may  
16 prescribe, attesting to the total amount  
17 of funds used by the eligible organiza-  
18 tion, how such funding will be or was used  
19 for purposes eligible under these appro-  
20 priations and any other reporting deemed  
21 necessary by the commissioner. The amounts  
22 appropriated herein may include advances  
23 to organizations authorized to receive  
24 such funds to accomplish this purpose.

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

54 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
55 of law to the contrary, the moneys hereby  
56 appropriated may be used for payments to

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1 the centers for medicaid and medicare  
2 services for obligations incurred related  
3 to the pharmaceutical costs of dually  
4 eligible medicare/medicaid beneficiaries  
5 participating in the medicare drug benefit  
6 authorized by P.L. 108-173.

7 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
8 of law, the moneys hereby appropriated  
9 shall not be used for any existing rates,  
10 fees, fee schedule, or procedures which  
11 may affect the cost of care and services  
12 provided by personal care providers, case  
13 managers, health maintenance organiza-  
14 tions, out of state medical facilities  
15 which provide care and services to resi-  
16 dents of the state, providers of transpor-  
17 tation services, that are altered,  
18 amended, adjusted or otherwise changed by  
19 a local social services district unless  
20 previously approved by the department of  
21 health and the director of the budget.

22 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
23 of law to the contrary, funds shall be  
24 made available to the commissioner of the  
25 office of mental health or the commission-  
26 er of the office of addiction services and  
27 supports, in consultation with the commis-  
28 sioner of health and approved by the  
29 director of the budget, and consistent  
30 with appropriations made therefor, to  
31 implement allocation adjustment developed  
32 by each such commissioner which shall  
33 describe mental health or substance use  
34 disorder services that should be developed  
35 to meet service needs resulting from the  
36 reduction of inpatient behavioral health  
37 services provided under the medicaid  
38 program, by programs licensed pursuant to  
39 article 31 or 32 of the mental hygiene  
40 law. Such programs may include programs  
41 that are licensed pursuant to both article  
42 31 of the mental hygiene law and article  
43 28 of the public health law, or certified  
44 under both article 32 of the mental  
45 hygiene law and article 28 of the public  
46 health law.

47 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
48 of law, the moneys hereby appropriated may  
49 be available for payments associated with  
50 the resolution by settlement agreement or  
51 judgment of rate appeals and/or litigation  
52 where the department of health is a party.  
53 For services and expenses of the medical  
54 assistance program including hospital  
55 inpatient services and general hospitals  
56 that are safety-net providers that evince

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1 severe financial distress, pursuant to  
 2 criteria determined by the commissioner,  
 3 shall be eligible for awards for amounts  
 4 appropriated herein, to enable such  
 5 providers to maintain operations and vital  
 6 services while establishing long term  
 7 solutions to achieve sustainable health  
 8 services.

9 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provisions  
 10 of law, no expenditures shall be used for  
 11 the medical assistance program for any  
 12 expenses not explicitly authorized in law  
 13 without the approval of the director of  
 14 the budget.

15 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 16 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 17 ation covering fiscal year 2026-27 shall  
 18 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 19 reappropriation for this item covering  
 20 fiscal year 2026-27, and (ii) appropri-  
 21 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 22 2026-27 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 23 laws of 2025 (26947) ..... 24,238,000

24 For services and expenses of the medical  
 25 assistance program including hospital  
 26 outpatient and emergency room services.

27 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 28 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 29 ation covering fiscal year 2026-27 shall  
 30 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 31 reappropriation for this item covering  
 32 fiscal year 2026-27, and (ii) appropri-  
 33 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 34 2026-27 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 35 laws of 2025 (26948) ..... 7,249,000

36 For services and expenses of the medical  
 37 assistance program including clinic  
 38 services.

39 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 40 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 41 ation covering fiscal year 2026-27 shall  
 42 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 43 reappropriation for this item covering  
 44 fiscal year 2026-27, and (ii) appropri-  
 45 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 46 2026-27 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 47 laws of 2025 (26949) ..... 14,198,000

48 For services and expenses of the medical  
 49 assistance program including nursing home  
 50 services.

51 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 52 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 53 ation covering fiscal year 2026-27 shall  
 54 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 55 reappropriation for this item covering

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1 fiscal year 2026-27, and (ii) appropri-  
 2 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 3 2026-27 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 4 laws of 2025 (26950) ..... 35,685,000

5 For services and expenses of the medical  
 6 assistance program including other long  
 7 term care services.

8 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 9 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 10 ation covering fiscal year 2026-27 shall  
 11 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 12 reappropriation for this item covering  
 13 fiscal year 2026-27, and (ii) appropri-  
 14 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 15 2026-27 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 16 laws of 2025 (26951) ..... 169,986,000

17 For services and expenses of the medical  
 18 assistance program including managed care  
 19 services including regional planning  
 20 activities of the finger lakes health  
 21 systems agency, including statewide coor-  
 22 dination and demonstration of best prac-  
 23 tices. The department shall make grants  
 24 within amounts appropriated therefor, to  
 25 assure high-quality and accessible primary  
 26 care, to provide technical assistance to  
 27 support financial and business planning  
 28 for integrated systems of care, and to  
 29 assist primary care providers in the  
 30 adoption, implementation, and meaningful  
 31 use of electronic health record technolo-  
 32 gy.

33 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 34 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 35 ation covering fiscal year 2026-27 shall  
 36 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 37 reappropriation for this item covering  
 38 fiscal year 2026-27, and (ii) appropri-  
 39 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 40 2026-27 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 41 laws of 2025 (26952) ..... 155,710,000

42 For services and expenses for health homes  
 43 including grants to health homes.

44 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
 45 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
 46 ation covering fiscal year 2026-27 shall  
 47 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 48 reappropriation for this item covering  
 49 fiscal year 2026-27, and (ii) appropri-  
 50 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 51 2026-27 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 52 laws of 2025 (29548) ..... 3,770,000

53 For services and expenses of the medical  
 54 assistance program including pharmacy  
 55 services provided, however, that no funds  
 56 shall be made available pursuant to this

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1 appropriation for any drug not explicitly  
2 authorized in any enacted law, rule, or  
3 regulation without approval from the  
4 director of the budget.

5 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
6 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
7 ation covering fiscal year 2026-27 shall  
8 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
9 reappropriation for this item covering  
10 fiscal year 2026-27, and (ii) appropri-  
11 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
12 2026-27 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
13 laws of 2025 (26953) ..... 71,926,000

14 For services and expenses of the medical  
15 assistance program including transporta-  
16 tion services.

17 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
18 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
19 ation covering fiscal year 2026-27 shall  
20 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
21 reappropriation for this item covering  
22 fiscal year 2026-27, and (ii) appropri-  
23 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
24 2026-27 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
25 laws of 2025 (26954) ..... 10,332,000

26 For services and expenses of the medical  
27 assistance program including dental  
28 services.

29 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
30 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
31 ation covering fiscal year 2026-27 shall  
32 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
33 reappropriation for this item covering  
34 fiscal year 2026-27, and (ii) appropri-  
35 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
36 2026-27 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
37 laws of 2025 (26955) ..... 79,000

38 For services and expenses of the medical  
39 assistance program including non-institu-  
40 tional and other spending.

41 The money hereby appropriated is available  
42 for payment of liabilities heretofore  
43 accrued or hereafter accrued.

44 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
45 of law, the money hereby appropriated may  
46 be available for payments to any county or  
47 public school districts associated with  
48 additional claims for school supportive  
49 health services.

50 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
51 contrary, the portion of this appropri-  
52 ation covering fiscal year 2026-27 shall  
53 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
54 reappropriation for this item covering  
55 fiscal year 2026-27, and (ii) appropri-  
56 ation for this item covering fiscal year

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1 2026-27 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 2 laws of 2025 (26956) ..... 20,604,000

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 2026-27 shall  
 13 supersede and replace any duplicative (i)  
 14 reappropriation for this item covering  
 15 fiscal year 2026-27, and (ii) appropri-  
 16 ation for this item covering fiscal year  
 17 2026-27 set forth in chapter 53 of the  
 18 laws of 2025 (26961) ..... 96,154,000  
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20 § 6. The amounts specified in this section, or so much thereof as  
 21 shall be sufficient to accomplish the purposes designated, is hereby  
 22 appropriated and authorized to be paid as hereinafter provided, to the  
 23 public officers and for the purposes specified, which amount shall be  
 24 available for the state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2026.

25 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

26 AID TO LOCALITIES

27 UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFIT PROGRAM ..... 135,000,000  
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29 Enterprise Funds  
 30 Unemployment Insurance Benefit Fund  
 31 Unemployment Insurance Benefit Account - 50650

32 For payment of unemployment insurance bene-  
 33 fits pursuant to article 18 of the labor  
 34 law or as authorized by the federal  
 35 government through the disaster unemploy-  
 36 ment assistance program, the emergency  
 37 unemployment compensation program, the  
 38 extended benefit program, the federal  
 39 additional compensation program or any  
 40 other federally funded unemployment bene-  
 41 fit program (34787) ..... 135,000,000  
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43 § 7. The amounts specified in this section, or so much thereof as  
 44 shall be sufficient to accomplish the purposes designated, is hereby  
 45 appropriated and authorized to be paid as hereinafter provided, to the  
 46 public officers and for the purposes specified, which amount shall be  
 47 available for the state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2026.

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DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HYGIENE

OFFICE FOR PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

AID TO LOCALITIES

COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM ..... 10,098,000

General Fund
Local Assistance Account - 10000

For services and expenses of the community services program, net of disallowances, for community programs for people with developmental disabilities pursuant to article 41 of the mental hygiene law, and/or chapter 620 of the laws of 1974, chapter 660 of the laws of 1977, chapter 412 of the laws of 1981, chapter 27 of the laws of 1987, chapter 729 of the laws of 1989, chapter 329 of the laws of 1993 and other provisions of the mental hygiene law. Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of law, the following appropriation shall be net of prior and/or current year refunds, rebates, reimbursements, and credits.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, advances and reimbursement made pursuant to subdivision (d) of section 41.15 and section 41.18 of the mental hygiene law shall be allocated pursuant to a plan and in a manner prescribed by the agency head and approved by the director of the budget. The moneys hereby appropriated are available to reimburse or advance localities and voluntary non-profit agencies for expenditures made during local fiscal periods commencing January 1, 2026, April 1, 2026 or July 1, 2026, and for advances for the 3 month period beginning January 1, 2027.

Notwithstanding the provisions of article 41 of the mental hygiene law or any other inconsistent provision of law, rule or regulation, the commissioner, pursuant to such contract and in the manner provided therein, may pay all or a portion of the expenses incurred by such voluntary agencies arising out of loans which are funded from the proceeds of bonds and notes issued by the dormitory authority of the state of New York.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the money hereby appropriated may be

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1 transferred to state operations and/or any  
2 appropriation of the office for people  
3 with developmental disabilities with the  
4 approval of the director of the budget.  
5 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
6 of law, moneys from this appropriation may  
7 be used for state aid of up to 100 percent  
8 of the net deficit costs of day training  
9 programs and family support services.  
10 Notwithstanding the provisions of section  
11 16.23 of the mental hygiene law and any  
12 other inconsistent provision of law, with  
13 relation to the operation of certified  
14 family care homes, including family care  
15 homes sponsored by voluntary not-for-pro-  
16 fit agencies, moneys from this appropri-  
17 ation may be used for payments to purchase  
18 general services including but not limited  
19 to respite providers, up to a maximum of  
20 14 days, at rates to be established by the  
21 commissioner and approved by the director  
22 of the budget in consideration of factors  
23 including, but not limited to, geographic  
24 area and number of clients cared for in  
25 the home and for payment in an amount  
26 determined by the commissioner for the  
27 personal needs of each client residing in  
28 the family care home.  
29 Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivi-  
30 sion 12 of section 8 of the state finance  
31 law and any other inconsistent provision  
32 of law, moneys from this appropriation may  
33 be used for expenses of family care homes  
34 including payments to operators of certi-  
35 fied family care homes for damages caused  
36 by clients to personal and real property  
37 in accordance with standards established  
38 by the commissioner and approved by the  
39 director of the budget.  
40 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
41 of law, moneys from this appropriation may  
42 be used for appropriate day program  
43 services and residential services includ-  
44 ing, but not limited to, direct housing  
45 subsidies to individuals, start-up  
46 expenses for family care providers, envi-  
47 ronmental modifications, adaptive technol-  
48 ogies, appraisals, property options,  
49 feasibility studies and preoperational  
50 expenses.  
51 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
52 of law, moneys from this appropriation may  
53 be used to fund continuity of care  
54 services, family reimbursed respite, other  
55 than personal services and direct housing  
56 subsidies for people who are enrolled in

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1 OPWDD's self-direction program, provided  
2 any or all such costs are identified in a  
3 self-direction budget approved by OPWDD.  
4 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision  
5 of law except pursuant to a chapter of the  
6 laws of 2025 authorizing a 2.6 percent  
7 targeted inflationary increase, for the  
8 period commencing on April 1, 2025 and  
9 ending March 31, 2026 the commissioner  
10 shall not apply any other inflationary  
11 increases, cost of living type increases,  
12 inflation factors, or trend factors for  
13 the purpose of establishing rates of  
14 payments, contracts or any other form of  
15 reimbursement; provided that this shall  
16 not prevent the commissioner from applying  
17 prior adjustments for the purpose of  
18 establishing rates resulting from a rebas-  
19 ing of base year costs.  
20 Notwithstanding section 6908 of the educa-  
21 tion law and any other provision of law,  
22 rule or regulation to the contrary, direct  
23 support staff in programs certified or  
24 approved by the office for people with  
25 developmental disabilities, including the  
26 home and community based services waiver  
27 programs that the office for people with  
28 developmental disabilities is authorized  
29 to administer with federal approval pursu-  
30 ant to subdivision (c) of section 1915 of  
31 the federal social security act, are  
32 authorized to provide such tasks as OPWDD  
33 may specify when performed under the  
34 supervision, training and periodic  
35 inspection of a registered professional  
36 nurse and in accordance with an authorized  
37 practitioner's ordered care.  
38 Notwithstanding any other provision of law  
39 to the contrary, and consistent with  
40 section 33.07 of the mental hygiene law,  
41 the directors of facilities licensed but  
42 not operated by the office for people with  
43 developmental disabilities who act as  
44 federally-appointed representative payees  
45 and who assume management responsibility  
46 over the funds of a resident may continue  
47 to use such funds for the cost of the  
48 resident's care and treatment, consistent  
49 with federal law and regulations.  
50 Funds appropriated herein shall be available  
51 in accordance with the following:  
52 Notwithstanding any other provision of law  
53 to the contrary, funds appropriated herein  
54 are available to reimburse in- and  
55 out-of-state private residential schools,  
56 pursuant to subdivision (c) of section

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1 13.37-a and subdivision (g) of section  
 2 13.38 of the mental hygiene law, for costs  
 3 of supporting the residential and day  
 4 program services available to individuals  
 5 who are over the age of 21 years of age,  
 6 provided that the amount paid for residen-  
 7 tial services and/or maintenance costs is  
 8 net of any supplemental security income  
 9 benefit to which the individual receiving  
 10 services is eligible, and provided further  
 11 that funding for nonresidential services  
 12 will be in an amount not to exceed the  
 13 maximum reimbursement for appropriate day  
 14 services delivered by the office for  
 15 people with developmental disabilities  
 16 certified or approved providers other than  
 17 in- and out-of-state private residential  
 18 schools, unless otherwise authorized by  
 19 the director of the budget.

20 Notwithstanding section 163 of the state  
 21 finance law, section 142 of the economic  
 22 development law, and article 41 of the  
 23 mental hygiene law, the commissioner of  
 24 the office for people with developmental  
 25 disabilities may make the funds appropri-  
 26 ated herein available as state aid, a loan  
 27 or a grant, pursuant to terms and condi-  
 28 tions established by the commissioner of  
 29 the office for people with developmental  
 30 disabilities, to cover a portion of the  
 31 development costs of private, public  
 32 and/or non-profit organizations, including  
 33 corporations and partnerships established  
 34 pursuant to the private housing finance  
 35 law and/or any other statutory provisions,  
 36 for supportive housing units that have  
 37 been set aside for individuals with intel-  
 38 lectual and developmental disabilities.  
 39 Further, the office for people with devel-  
 40 opmental disabilities shall have a lien on  
 41 the real property developed with such  
 42 state aid, loans or grants, which shall be  
 43 in the amount of the loan or grant, for a  
 44 maximum term of 30 years, or other longer  
 45 term consistent with the requirements of  
 46 another regulatory agency.

47 For services and expenses related to the  
 48 provision of residential services to  
 49 people with developmental disabilities  
 50 (37802) ..... 5,862,000  
 51 For services and expenses related to the  
 52 provision of day program services to  
 53 people with developmental disabilities  
 54 (37803) ..... 1,440,000  
 55 For services and expenses related to the  
 56 provision of family support services to

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1 people with developmental disabilities  
2 (37804) ..... 1,620,000  
3 For services and expenses related to the  
4 provision of workshop, day training and  
5 employment services to people with devel-  
6 opmental disabilities. Notwithstanding any  
7 other provision of law, up to \$13,800 of  
8 this appropriation may be transferred to  
9 the New York State Education Departments'  
10 Adult Career and Continuing Education  
11 Services - Vocational Rehabilitation  
12 (ACCES-VR) program to support the LongTerm  
13 Sheltered Employment program operated by  
14 FEDCAP Rehabilitation Services, Inc.  
15 (37805) ..... 936,000  
16 For other services and expenses provided to  
17 people with developmental disabilities  
18 including but not limited to hepatitis B,  
19 care at home waiver, epilepsy services,  
20 Special Olympics New York, Inc. and volun-  
21 tary fingerprinting (37806) ..... 240,000  
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23 § 8. 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, 2026.

28 DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES

29 AID TO LOCALITIES

30 VETERANS' BENEFITS ADVISING PROGRAM ..... 36,000  
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32 Special Revenue Funds - Other  
33 Homeless Veterans Assistance Fund  
34 Homeless Veterans Assistance Account - 20204

35 For services and expenses related to home-  
36 less veterans' housing (54815) ..... 36,000

37 § 9. No expenditure may be made from any appropriation in this act,  
38 until a certificate of approval has been issued by the director of the  
39 budget and a copy of such certificate shall have been filed with the  
40 state comptroller, the chairman of the senate finance committee and the  
41 chairman of the assembly ways and means committee provided, however,  
42 that any expenditures from any appropriation in this act made by the  
43 legislature or judiciary shall not require such certificate.

44 § 10. All expenditures and disbursements made against the appropri-  
45 ations in this act shall, upon final action by the legislature on appro-  
46 priation bills submitted by the governor pursuant to article VII of the  
47 state constitution for the support of government for the state fiscal  
48 year beginning April 1, 2026, be transferred by the comptroller as

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1 expenditures and disbursements to such appropriations for all state  
2 departments and agencies, as applicable, in amounts equal to the amounts  
3 charged against the appropriations in this act for each such department,  
4 agency, and the legislature and the judiciary.

5 § 11. Severability clause. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdi-  
6 vision, section or part of this act shall be adjudged by any court of  
7 competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect,  
8 impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in  
9 its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section  
10 or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judg-  
11 ment shall have been rendered. It is hereby declared to be the intent of  
12 the legislature that this act would have been enacted even if such  
13 invalid provisions had not been included herein.

14 § 12. This act shall take effect immediately and shall be deemed to  
15 have been in full force and effect on and after April 1, 2026; provided,  
16 however, that upon the transfer of expenditures and disbursements by the  
17 comptroller as provided in section ten of this act, the appropriations  
18 made by this act and subject to such section shall be deemed repealed.