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Governor**

**State of Rhode Island and
Providence Plantations
Fiscal Year 2018
Budget**

Technical Appendix

Changes in Budgeting Practices and Presentation

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General Government

Department of Administration

Effective in FY 2017, the Governor recommends transferring the Cybersecurity Director position from the Department of Administration to the Department of Public Safety.

Effective in FY 2018, the Governor recommends transferring four Human Resource positions and one Information Technology position from the Department of Public Safety to the Department of Administration as part of the continued centralization of staff into the centralized service centers.

Effective in FY 2018, the Governor recommends consolidating the majority of the capital projects budgeted in the Department of Administration into the following six categories: Capitol Hill Campus Projects, Environmental Projects, State Facility Projects, Pastore Center Campus Projects, State House Asset Protection Projects, and Zambarano Campus Projects. This consolidation will give the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM) more flexibility with addressing the capital needs of the facilities under its purview.

Commerce

Effective in FY 2018, the Governor recommends consolidating authority of lead-related issues under the Department of Health with the transfer of lead-related funding from the Housing Resources Commission.

Health and Human Services

Department of Health

Effective in FY 2018, the Governor recommends consolidating authority of lead-related issues under the Department of Health with the transfer of lead-related funding from the Housing Resources Commission.

Education

Rhode Island Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission

Effective in FY 2017, the Governor recommends transferring responsibility for the management and operations of the Eisenhower House, a historic property owned by the State in Newport, RI, from the Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission to the Department of Environmental Management.

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Public Safety

Emergency Management Agency

Effective in FY 2018, the Governor recommends merging the Emergency Management Agency into the Department of Public Safety. The Emergency Management Agency would become a new program within the Department. The Director of the Emergency Management Division would continue to have a direct line of communication to the Governor.

Department of Public Safety

Effective during the second half of FY 2017, the Governor recommends creating a new Commissioner of Public Safety to oversee all Department of Public Safety programs. The new organizational structure of the Department of Public Safety is designed to promote efficiency and the sharing of resources among agencies providing public safety services to Rhode Islanders. The Superintendent of the Rhode Island State Police would continue to oversee the operations of the State Police, and would continue to have a direct line of communication to the Governor.

Also during the second half of FY 2017, the Governor recommends the creation of a new Division of Homeland Security to be headed by the new Cybersecurity Director who is being transferred from the Department of Administration.

Effective in FY 2018, the Governor recommends transferring the Emergency Management Agency to the Department of Public Safety. The Emergency Management Agency would become a new program within the Department. The Director of the Emergency Management Division would continue to have a direct line of communication to the Governor.

Effective in FY 2018, the Governor's also recommends that the Municipal Police Training Academy no longer be an independent program within the Department of Public Safety, but rather a subprogram of the Rhode Island State Police.

Effective in FY 2018, the Governor recommends transferring four Human Resource positions and one Information Technology position from the Department of Public Safety to the Department of Administration as part of the continued centralization of staff into service centers.

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Natural Resources

Department of Environmental Management

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