



Senate Bill No. 83

Special Act No. 26-1

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE FEDERAL CUTS RESPONSE FUND.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a fund to be known as the "Federal Cuts Response Fund". The fund shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the fund and shall be held by the Treasurer separate and apart from all other moneys, funds and accounts. Amounts in the fund shall be expended only pursuant to appropriation by the General Assembly. Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, any balance remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall be carried forward in the fund for the subsequent fiscal year.

(b) After the accounts for the Federal Cuts Response Fund have been closed for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, and the Comptroller has determined the amount of the unexpended balance in said fund, the amount of such unexpended balance shall be transferred by the Treasurer to the Budget Reserve Fund subject to the provisions of subparagraph (C) of subdivision (1) of subsection (c) or (d) of section 4-30a of the general statutes. The fund shall be terminated upon the transfer of the balance in the fund or upon the Comptroller's determination that there are no unexpended moneys available in the fund to transfer.

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Sec. 2. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (f) of section 4-30a of the general statutes, on the effective date of this act, the Treasurer shall transfer the sum of \$330,811,954 from the Budget Reserve Fund to the Federal Cuts Response Fund, established pursuant to section 1 of this act.

Sec. 3. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The sum of \$330,811,954 is appropriated from the Federal Cuts Response Fund, established pursuant to section 1 of this act, to the Office of Policy and Management, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, for the purpose of responding to the policy impacts of P.L. 119-21 and mitigating any action or inaction by the federal government that results in a reduction in funding for any program in this state.

(b) That portion of unexpended funds appropriated in subsection (a) of this section shall not lapse on June 30, 2026, and shall continue to be available for the purposes described in subsection (a) of this section during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027.

(c) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may transfer any portion of the amount appropriated in subsection (a) of this section to any agency in any appropriated fund to give effect to the purposes described in subsection (a) of this section. The unexpended balance of any amount transferred pursuant to this section shall be returned to the Federal Cuts Response Fund on June 30, 2027, and shall lapse on said date.

Sec. 4. (*Effective from passage*) Prior to expending any moneys in accordance with subsection (a) of section 3 of this act or transferring any moneys in accordance with subsection (c) of section 3 of this act, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall provide electronic notice to the president pro tempore of the Senate, the speaker of the House of Representatives, and the majority and minority leaders of both houses of the General Assembly of the amount and purpose of

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each such expenditure or transfer. Any such expenditure or transfer may be disapproved by a majority vote of a committee consisting of said members of the General Assembly not later than twenty-four hours after the time the secretary provides notice pursuant to this section. Any meeting of such committee may be conducted on a virtual platform that is available to be viewed by members of the public. The secretary shall not make any such expenditure or transfer before the expiration of such twenty-four-hour period or after any such expenditure or transfer is disapproved in accordance with this subsection.

Governor's Action:
Approved February 9, 2026