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## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Senator Jane Kitchel, Chair and Members of the Joint Fiscal Committee

From: Marcey Hodgdon, Fiscal Director

Date: July 24, 2023

SUBJECT: COMPLEX LITIGATION SPECIAL FUND ANNUAL REPORT

In SFY2023 the Complex Litigation Special Fund was utilized to pay \$185,918.04 in nonroutine expenses, not otherwise budgeted, incurred in the investigation, prosecution, and defense of complex civil and criminal litigation. Such costs covered include:

- \$ 107,357 expert witnesses re: complex criminal cases A. Gurung & L. Fortier
- \$ 51,188 expert witness re: large capacity magazine
- \$ 38,980 cost share payments re: multistate litigation
- \$ 5,706 legal services re: Springfield Hospital bankruptcy matters
- \$ 5,026 legal services re: complex civil claims against the State
- \$(22,339) Refund of prior cost share payments re: Purdue Bankruptcy

In compliance with 3 V.S.A. §167a.(d), a balance of \$945,000 is projected for the Complex Litigation Special Fund at the end of FY2024. This represents a projected FY2024 use of \$55,000 and fund replenishment.