

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

BY HIS EXCELLENCY

DANNEL P. MALLOY

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 58

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SECRETARY OF THE STATE
CAPITOL OFFICE

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WHEREAS, Article Fourth, Section 5 of the Constitution of the State of Connecticut vests the supreme executive power of the state in the Governor; and

WHEREAS, Article Fourth, Section 12 of the Constitution of the State of Connecticut requires the Governor to take care that the laws be faithfully executed; and

WHEREAS, Section 3-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes, echoing the Constitution of the State of Connecticut, vests the Governor with the supreme executive power of the state and further authorizes the Governor to "take any proper action concerning any matter involving the enforcement of the laws of the state and the protection of its citizens"; and

WHEREAS, the 2017-2018 fiscal year for the State of Connecticut commences July 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, there is no approved appropriations act for the 2017-2018 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the State is thus confronted with a severe financial emergency and its ability to meet all of its current obligations is impaired by a lack of revenue to support those obligations; and

WHEREAS, the State has an obligation, in the absence of an approved appropriation act, to preserve order, provide for the administration of justice, and protect the public health, welfare and property of its citizens as essential functions of government; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the state limit expenditures during this period of fiscal emergency in order to avoid further exacerbation of the state's fiscal crisis; and


WHEREAS, difficult action must be taken to limit the expenditure of state funds in order to avoid increasing the projected deficit for the 2017-2018 fiscal year while also providing funding for the essential and statutorily required operations of state government and providing some measure of predictability for its citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DANIEL P. MALLOY, Governor of the State of Connecticut, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of the State of Connecticut do hereby FIND, ORDER and DIRECT:

1. That an emergency exists due to the lack of an approved appropriations act for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2017, as required by law.
2. That an emergency poses a direct and imminent risk of harm to the preservation of order, the administration of justice, and the protection of the public health and safety.
3. That in accordance with Constitutional and statutory authority it is necessary and proper that the Governor provide for the continued operation of the essential functions of State government in the absence of an approved appropriations act.
4. That all expenditures for the period from July 1, 2017 through the date of approval of an appropriations act for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2017, shall be authorized only upon the Governor's approval of a request by the Office of Policy and Management for periodic spending authorizations in accordance with this executive order.
5. That all department heads and executive branch personnel shall limit the purchase of services pursuant to personal service agreements to those that are necessary for the provision of direct care, the administration of justice, and the protection of the public health and safety, provided that any such purchase shall be approved in advance by the Office of Policy and Management.
6. That all department heads shall utilize personnel and other resources in an effective and efficient manner, giving priority to programs that provide direct care services, administer justice, and protect the public health and safety.
7. That there is hereby authorized to be expended from the treasury such sums as may be necessary to carry out this order.
8. That department heads are hereby authorized to perform all otherwise lawful acts necessary to effectuate this order.

This Order shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on July 1, 2017 and shall expire upon the approval of an appropriations act for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2017.

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut this 30th day of June, 2017.



Dannel P. Malloy
Governor

By His Excellency's Order



Denise W. Merrill
Secretary of the State

