



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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**SENATOR MOORE ANNOUNCES SUPPORT FOR SUPPLEMENTAL
BUDGET:
REASSERTS IMPORTANCE OF CUTTING BACK WITHIN STATE
GOVERNMENT**

Boston- State Senator Michael O. Moore (D-Millbury) announced Thursday that the State Senate approved a supplemental budget by removing \$327 million from the Commonwealth's rainy day fund. Of the \$327 million, \$102 million was to cover snow and ice removal costs, \$2.9 million for the Department of Conservation and Recreation, \$1.5 million for the Department of Public Health, and \$1 million for the state quartermaster.

In an ongoing effort to maintain fiscally responsibility and protect additional rainy day funding, Senator Moore supported a measure that called for a one percent cut to the executive branch budget for the remainder of the fiscal year, a cost saving of about \$140 million.

“While I believe it was necessary to pass this supplemental budget, I do not support taking additional money out of the Commonwealth's rainy day fund.” Moore stated. “I believe we need to find places to cut and that by cutting the executive branch's budget by one percent, we can help address the current fiscal situation without reaching deeper into our reserve account. This proposed reduction of all accounts within the executive branch of government would not include local aid or any program in the budget with a federal reimbursement match. This would force managers within the executive branch to look over their budgets and make necessary cuts in their offices without impacting direct services to individuals.”

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