
VIRGINIA STATE BUDGET

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Budget Bill - HB29 (Chapter 943)

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General District Courts

Item 33 (Not set out)	First Year - FY2003	Second Year - FY2004
Pre-Trial, Trial, and Appellate Processes (32100)	\$72,854,186	\$73,056,390
Trial Processes (32103)	\$58,594,297	\$58,796,501
Other Court Costs and Allowances (Criminal Fund) (32104)	\$11,817,496	\$11,817,496
Involuntary Mental Commitments (32105)	\$2,442,393	\$2,442,393
Fund Sources:		
General	\$72,854,186	\$73,056,390

Authority: Article VI, Section 8, Constitution of Virginia; §§ [16.1-69.1](#) through [16.1-137](#), [19.2-163](#) and [37.1-67.1](#) et seq., Code of Virginia.

A. Out of the amounts for Pre-Trial, Trial and Appellate Processes shall be paid:

1. The annual salaries of all General District Court judges, \$110,723 from July 1, 2002, to November 24, 2002, \$110,723 from November 25, 2002, to November 24, 2003, and \$113,216 from November 25, 2003, to June 30, 2004. Such salary shall be 90 percent of the annual salary fixed by law for judges of the Circuit Courts and shall represent the total compensation for General District Court Judges and incorporate all supplements formerly paid by the various localities.

2. The salaries of substitute judges and court personnel.

B. There is hereby reappropriated the unexpended balances remaining at the close of business on June 30, 2002, in the appropriation made in Item 31, Chapter 1073 Acts of Assembly of 2000, in the subprograms Other Court Costs and Allowances (Criminal Fund) and Involuntary Mental Commitments and the balances remaining in these subprograms on June 30, 2003.

C. Any balance, or portion thereof, in the subprogram Involuntary Mental Commitments, may be transferred between Items 33, 34, 35, and 323, as needed, to cover any deficits incurred for Involuntary Mental Commitments by the Supreme Court or the Department of Medical Assistance Services.

D. The appropriation in this Item for Other Court Costs and Allowances shall be used to implement the provisions of § [8.01-384.1:1](#), Code of Virginia.

E. Effective July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003, the processing fee assessed by the courts in accordance with the provisions of § [16.1-69.48:1](#), Code of Virginia, and collected for deposit into the general fund shall be \$12 higher than the amount in effect on January 1, 2002, of such fee collected for the general fund. Effective May 1, 2003, the amount of any fee collected for the Intensified Drug Enforcement Jurisdiction Fund shall be four dollars. To reflect this latter fee, effective May 1, 2003, the fixed fee set out in § [16.1-69.48:1](#), Code of Virginia, is increased by two dollars and the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court shall adjust the distribution formula set out in that

section accordingly.

F. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 16.1-69.48:2, Code of Virginia, the fee for filing civil actions shall be \$16.

G. In addition to the fees provided for by § 16.1-69.48:1, Code of Virginia, the general district courts, upon conviction of any and each charge of a violation of §§ 18.2-36.1, 18.2-51.4, 18.2-266, 18.2-266.1, 18.2-268.3, 46.2-341.24 or 46.2-341.26:3, Code of Virginia, or any similar local ordinance, shall impose a fee of \$100, effective May 1, 2003.