2004 Special Session I

Budget Bill - HB5001 (Chapter 4)

Circuit Courts

Item 32	First Year - FY2005	Second Year - FY2006
Pre-Trial, Trial, and Appellate Processes (32100)	**$69,305,166**	**$73,214,542**
Trial Processes (32103)	$35,637,139	$36,327,632
Other Court Costs and Allowances (Criminal Fund) (32104)	$33,668,027	$36,886,910
Fund Sources:		
General	$69,106,566	$73,015,942
Special	$198,600	$198,600

Authority: Article VI, Section 1, Constitution of Virginia; Title 17.1, Chapter 5; § 19.2-163, Code of Virginia.

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

1. The annual salaries of Circuit Court judges, each at $125,795 from July 1, 2004, to November 24, 2004, $132,211 from November 25, 2004, to November 24, 2005, and $132,211 from November 25, 2005, to June 30, 2006. Such salaries shall represent the total compensation from all sources for Circuit Court judges.

2. Expenses necessarily incurred for the position of judge of the Circuit Court, including clerk hire not exceeding $1,500 a year for each judge.

3. The state's share of expenses incident to the prosecution of a petition for a writ of habeas corpus by an indigent petitioner, including payment of counsel fees as fixed by the Court; the expenses shall be paid upon receipt of an appropriate order from a Circuit Court.

B. The Chief Circuit Court Judge shall restrict the appointment of special justices to conduct involuntary mental commitment hearings to those unusual instances when no General District Court or Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Judge can be made available or when the volume of the hearings would require more than eight hours a week.

C. There is hereby reappropriated the unexpended balance remaining at the close of business on June 30, 2004, in the appropriation made in Item 32, Chapter 1042, Acts of Assembly of 2003, in the subprogram Other Court Costs and Allowances (Criminal Fund) and the balance remaining in this subprogram on June 30, 2005.

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.