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Department of Criminal Justice Services

Item 391	First Year - FY2027	Second Year - FY2028
Criminal Justice Training and Standards (30300)	\$6,771,772	\$6,909,576
Criminal Justice Training Services (30303)	\$3,180,962	\$3,318,766
Standards and Training (30304)	\$2,444,040	\$2,444,040
Criminal Justice Academy Inspections and Audit Services (30307)	\$1,146,770	\$1,146,770
Fund Sources:		
General	\$6,520,037	\$6,657,841
Special	\$251,735	\$251,735

Authority: Title 9.1, Chapter 1, Code of Virginia.

A. The Director of the Department of Criminal Justice Services (the Director) and the Board of Criminal Justice Services (the Board) shall, in conjunction with the relevant stakeholders, review all of the compulsory minimum training standards which are applicable to law-enforcement officers and update them as needed. The Director and the Board shall ensure that the training standards appropriately educate law-enforcement officers in the areas of mental health, community policing, and serving individuals who are disabled. The updated compulsory minimum training standards shall, where appropriate, include consideration of, but not be limited to, the recommendations of the President's Task Force on 21st Century Policing. The Director shall identify current resources available to officers in dealing with situations related to mental health and identify what resources are needed.

B. Included in the amounts appropriated for this item is \$280,000 the first year and \$280,000 the second year from the general fund for the Department to provide annual trainings on active shooter scenarios to school and community personnel.

C. Included in the amounts appropriated for this item is \$427,630 the first year and \$427,630 the second year from the general fund for oversight and management of the school resource officer and school security officer certification and training programs, the provision of basic training courses for school resource officers and school personnel, and development and update Virginia-specific training resources for school resource officers and school security officers.

D.1. Included in the amounts appropriated for this item is \$595,630 the first year and \$595,630 the second year from the general fund for the purpose of expanding training provided to members of threat assessment teams.

2. Included in the amounts appropriated for this item is \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the second year from the general fund for the development of a case management tool for use by threat assessment teams, consistent with the provisions of Chapter 456, 2019 Acts of Assembly.

E. Included in the amounts appropriated for this item is \$871,890 the first year and \$871,890 the second year from

the general fund to enhance school safety training provided to Virginia school personnel, to include hosting live trainings and conferences, developing online training and curricula, and developing Virginia-specific school safety resources.

F. Included in the appropriation for this item is \$249,695 the first year and \$249,695 the second year from the general fund and two positions to support proposed legislation in the 2020 Special Session I of the General Assembly related to the decertification of law-enforcement officers.

G. Included in the appropriation for this item is \$113,790 the first year and \$113,790 the second year from the general fund and one position to support proposed legislation in the 2020 Special Session I of the General Assembly related to the expansion of the decertification process of law-enforcement personnel.

H. Included in the appropriation for this item is \$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the second year from the general fund to support proposed legislation in the 2020 Special Session I of the General Assembly related to the development of a statewide officer database for purposes of sharing information between law-enforcement agencies.

I. Included in the appropriation for this item is \$727,122 the first year and \$727,122 the second year from the general fund and six positions to support proposed legislation in the 2020 Special Session I of the General Assembly to establish statewide mandatory minimum training standards for law-enforcement training academies.

J. Notwithstanding the provisions of §§ [2.2-5515](#), [15.2-1721.1](#), and [52-11.3](#), a waiver from the Criminal Justice Services Board is only required for the continued use of rifles of .50 caliber or higher or ammunition of .50 caliber or higher for use in such rifles and not for other types of firearms or ammunition of .50 caliber or higher.

K. Included within the appropriation for this item is \$123,250 the first year and \$123,250 the second year from the general fund to establish statewide best practices and training on the provision of security consistent with the provisions of Chapter 667, 2025 Acts of Assembly.

L. Notwithstanding § [19.2-83.6:1](#) of the Code of Virginia, any law enforcement officer engaged in (i) special weapons and tactics (SWAT) teams or other specialized tactical teams or units while engaged in the performance of official SWAT team duties, or (ii) undercover, drug, gang, executive protection, or surveillance units where protection of such law-enforcement officers' identities is necessary, is exempt from subsection D of § [19.2-83.6:1](#) of the Code of Virginia.