2026 Special Session I

Budget Bill - HB30 (Introduced)

Court of Appeals of Virginia

Item 32	First Year - FY2027	Second Year - FY2028
Pre-Trial, Trial, and Appellate Processes (32100)	**$23,087,457**	**$23,087,457**
Appellate Review (32101)	$23,082,457	$23,082,457
Other Court Costs And Allowances (Criminal Fund) (32104)	$5,000	$5,000
Fund Sources:		
General	$23,087,457	$23,087,457

Authority: Title 17.1, Chapter 4 and § 19.2-163, Code of Virginia.

A. Out of the amounts in this Item for Appellate Review shall be paid:

1. The annual salary of the Chief Judge, $232,957 the first year and $237,617 the second year.

2. The annual salaries of the sixteen (16) judges, each at $229,897 the first year and $234,495 the second year.

3. Salaries of the judges are to be 95 percent of the salaries of justices of the Supreme Court except for the Chief Judge, who shall receive an additional $3,000 annually.

4. To each judge, $6,500 the first year and $6,500 the second year, for expenses not otherwise reimbursed, said expenses to be paid out of the current appropriation to the Court.

B. There is hereby reappropriated the unexpended balance remaining at the close of business on June 30, 2026, in the appropriation made in Item 32, Chapter 725, Acts of Assembly of 2025, in the item detail Other Court Costs and Allowances (Criminal Fund) and the balance remaining in this item detail on June 30, 2027.

C. The amount of attorney's fees allowed counsel to indigent defendants in appeals to the Court of Appeals shall be in the discretion of the court.

D. Out of the amounts appropriated in this Item, $9,493,443 the first year and $9,493,443 the second year from the general fund to support additional judges and associated staff to address anticipated workload increases related to legislation adopted by the 2021 Session of the General Assembly that expands the jurisdiction and organization of the Court of Appeals of Virginia.