

Public Safety

The budget, as adopted, for Public Safety agencies contains a net increase of \$146.1 million GF over the adjusted appropriation for current operations. Almost three-fourths of this increase results from four major items: (i) aid to localities with police departments (\$33.9 million); (ii) increased direct inmate and medical care costs for adult and juvenile correctional centers (\$29.4 million); (iii) the SABRE project (\$24.3 million); and (iv) the state share of operating and capital costs for new and expanded local and regional juvenile detention homes (\$19.8 million).

The approved budget for the Department of Criminal Justice Services includes \$33.9 million GF for the 2000-02 biennium, to fully fund state aid to localities with police departments (HB 599) based on anticipated general fund revenue projections in the biennium. With this increase, HB 599 allocations will increase from \$165.8 million in FY 2000 to \$176.7 million in FY 2001, and to \$188.7 million in FY 2002.

The approved budget for the Departments of Corrections and Juvenile Justice includes \$29.4 million in increased facility costs, including \$25.7 million GF for direct inmate costs in adult facilities and \$3.7 million for increased medical costs in juvenile facilities.

The approved budget also includes \$24.3 million GF for the Substance Abuse Reduction Effort (SABRE), which includes funds for State Police law enforcement, and for adult and juvenile corrections for treatment and supervision of drug offenders. This amount also includes \$2.1 million in deposits to the Corrections Special Reserve Fund for legislation associated with the SABRE project (SB 153/HB 383).

The Department of Juvenile Justice budget includes an additional \$19.8 million for capital and operating expenses of juvenile detention facilities. This amount includes \$13.3 million GF the first year for the state share of the capital cost for local and regional juvenile detention projects, and \$6.5 million GF the first year for increased operating expenses. This amount includes sufficient funds to provide a minimum level of 50 percent state reimbursement the first year for operating expenses.

The budget for the Department of State Police includes \$5.0 million GF the first year for engineering costs associated with the new interagency land-mobile radio system. The budget includes \$4.7 million GF for the State Police to lease-purchase four replacement helicopters, as well as one new helicopter, along with 6.0 FTE positions for a new Medevac program serving the Lynchburg region.

Additional funding is provided in the Department of Military Affairs to phase in full funding of tuition assistance for the National Guard.

- **Secretary of Public Safety**
 - ***Criminal Justice Information Systems.*** Includes language directing the Secretaries of Public Safety, Technology, and Finance to report on the status of criminal justice information systems and the cost of integrating those systems. The language also directs the Crime Commission to study this issue.
- **Substance Abuse Reduction Effort**
 - ***SABRE Project.*** Includes \$24.3 million GF over two years for the proposed SABRE project, including increased drug law enforcement, treatment, and supervision. The approved funding includes a deposit of \$2.1 million to the Corrections Special Reserve Fund.

Agency	SABRE Component	GF (Biennium)
DOC	Residential Substance Abuse Treatment	\$1,444,250
	Outpatient Substance Abuse Treatment	\$3,430,000
	Drug Relapse Prevention	\$916,666
	Corrections Special Reserve Fund	\$2,066,100
DCJS	Local Substance Abuse Treatment	\$4,000,000
DJJ	Juvenile Drug Treatment Services	\$3,510,000
DSP	Special Operations Division (127 FTE)	\$8,931,122
	SABRE TOTAL	\$24,298,138

- **Department of Corrections SABRE Components**
 - ***Residential Substance Abuse Treatment.*** Includes \$477,000 GF the first year and \$967,250 GF the second year, and 23.0 FTE positions each year, to establish a residential transition treatment program for inmates released from prison-based therapeutic community treatment programs.
 - ***Outpatient Substance Abuse Treatment.*** Includes \$430,000 GF the first year and \$3.0 million GF the second year for outpatient substance abuse treatment services for probationers and parolees.

Another \$1,070,000 is provided the first year from federal Violent Offender Incarceration/Truth-in-Sentencing grant funds for this program.

- **Drug Relapse Prevention.** Includes \$234,931 GF the first year and \$681,735 GF the second year for pilot drug relapse prevention programs in selected probation and parole districts.
- **Corrections Special Reserve Fund.** Includes \$2.1 million GF the first year for deposit into the Corrections Special Reserve Fund, as required by § 30-19.1:4 of the Code of Virginia for the projected impact of SABRE legislation (HB 383/SB 153).
- **Department of Criminal Justice Services SABRE Components**
 - **Local Substance Abuse Treatment.** Includes \$1.5 million GF the first year and \$2.5 million GF the second year for local community corrections programs to provide substance abuse treatment services.
- **Department of Juvenile Justice SABRE Components**
 - **Juvenile Drug Treatment Services.** Includes \$1,170,000 GF the first year and \$2.3 million GF the second year for substance abuse treatment services for juvenile probationers and parolees.
- **Department of State Police SABRE Components**
 - **Drug Law Enforcement and Investigation Division.** Includes \$4.7 million GF the first year, \$4.2 million GF the second year and 127.0 FTE positions to focus on drug investigation and eradication. This funding level provides for 30 new troopers in each of the next two State Police Academy schools beginning on October 1, 2000, and April 1, 2001, in addition to supervisory and support personnel. The new division is created pursuant to SB 45 and HB 285, as adopted by the 2000 General Assembly.
- **Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control**
 - **Increased Sales.** Includes \$15.9 million NGF each year for increased purchases of alcoholic beverages for resale. A companion amendment in Part 3 of the budget reflects an increase of \$5.9 million each year in ABC profits transferred to the General Fund.

- **Management Positions.** Includes \$525,029 NGF each year and 6.0 FTE positions to address one of the findings of a recent study conducted by the Secretary of Finance. The study recommended additional positions, including a Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Assistant Director for Wholesale and Retail Operations, and three new internal audit positions.
- **Study of Extended Store Hours.** Includes \$167,000 NGF the first year for additional wage costs at selected stores to determine the feasibility of extending store hours of operation.
- **Commonwealth's Attorneys' Services Council**
 - **Information Technology Manager.** Includes \$113,778 GF the first year and \$96,248 GF the second year and 1.0 FTE position to provide increased support for automated systems serving local Commonwealth's Attorneys' offices.
- **Department of Correctional Education**
 - **Contract Services for Lawrenceville.** Includes \$434,320 GF the first year and \$465,796 GF the second year for cost increases required in the supplemental contract with the Corrections Corporation of America (CCA) for educational services at Lawrenceville Correctional Center.
 - **Distance Learning Pilot Project.** Includes \$200,000 GF the first year and \$300,000 GF the second year and 6.0 FTE positions to expand the distance learning technology pilot project at Red Onion and Wallens Ridge Correctional Centers.
 - **Modular Classroom Project.** Includes \$168,500 GF the first year and \$155,000 GF the second year to establish a modular classroom production program at St. Brides Correctional Center in Chesapeake.
 - **Authority to Expend Nongeneral Funds.** Includes \$97,103 NGF the first year and \$98,445 NGF the second year from out-of-state contract prisoner revenues to support educational services at adult correctional centers.
- **Department of Corrections**
 - **Central Activities**
 - **Headquarters Lease.** Includes \$600,000 the first year to adjust the base budget to reflect the cost of the lease for the headquarters building on Atmore Road in the City of Richmond.

Division of Institutions

- ***Out-of-State Prisoners.*** Assumes continued contracting to house almost 3,200 out-of-state inmates each year, resulting in over \$136.7 million in nongeneral fund revenues. Revenues will be used to operate the Wallens Ridge, Sussex II, and St. Brides Correctional Centers. A portion of these revenues is budgeted for (a) temporary support staff at Greensville Correctional Center, (b) transportation for the inmates to and from their home states, and (c) certain capital projects. After all expenses have been paid, the introduced budget assumes an increased transfer to the general fund of \$3.2 million the first year and \$2.2 million the second year.
- ***Direct Inmate Costs.*** Includes \$11.8 million GF and \$1.8 million NGF the first year, and \$13.9 million GF and \$1.0 million NGF the second year, for increased direct inmate costs to include food, clothing, medical care, and other expenses. The sources of nongeneral funds include revenues received for housing out-of-state contract prisoners and projected balances in the Corrections Special Reserve Fund.
- ***Inventory Savings.*** Incorporates a reduction of \$2.5 million GF the first year and \$1.0 million GF the second year, to reflect a cost savings associated with reducing on-hand food inventory to a 30-day supply the first year and a 14-day supply the second year.
- ***Computer Network Operating Expenses.*** Includes \$3.0 million GF each year for increased operating costs resulting from upgrading the agency's computer network. These costs include lease payments, telephone line charges, and DIT charges.
- ***Payments to Localities.*** Includes \$815,006 GF each year for payments to localities and bond-related fees. Most of this amount represents payments in lieu of taxes, which are service charges imposed by localities for tax-exempt real estate owned by the Commonwealth. Also included is \$70,337 for the annual Bond Issuer's Fee for the Brunswick County Industrial Development Authority, which issued the bonds for the Lawrenceville Correctional Center.
- ***Increased Private Prison Costs.*** Includes \$728,977 NGF the first year and \$746,860 NGF the second year for increased payments to the Corrections Corporation of America (CCA). The additional funds are required to operate Lawrenceville Correctional Center, because the contract with CCA calls for an increase in the per diem rate. The source of the nongeneral funds is revenue derived from housing out-of-state prisoners.

- **Prison Family Support Services.** Includes \$18,000 NGF each year from commissary fund balances to increase the annual allocation to the Prison Visitation Project.
- **Best Management Practices.** Includes language directing the agency to develop a plan by October 1, 2000, to continue to implement best management practices designed to reduce sediment and nutrient runoff from prison agribusiness operations, using inmate labor.

Division of Community Corrections

- **Special Revenues for Substance Abuse Assessments.** Substitutes \$300,000 NGF for an equal amount of general funds each year, to reflect the use of revenues from the Drug Abuse Assessment Fund for the substance abuse screening and assessment program.
- **Fredericksburg Day Reporting Center.** Provides \$200,000 GF the first year and \$356,877 GF the second year and 5.0 FTE positions to establish a new day reporting center in the 21st Probation and Parole District, serving the City of Fredericksburg and Stafford, Spotsylvania, and King George Counties. A companion amendment to the Compensation Board provides for a corresponding reduction in jail per diems, which offsets the cost of this initiative.
- **Drug Court Programs.** Incorporates a reduction of \$825,000 GF each year for drug court programs. A companion amendment provides nongeneral funds in the Department of Criminal Justice Services for these programs.
- **Moratorium on Jail Projects.** Includes Language which grants a series of exceptions to the moratorium on Board of Corrections' approval of state reimbursement for the capital cost of local or regional jail projects. These exceptions include the Loudoun and Pittsylvania County Jails, the Virginia Beach City Jail, and new regional jails serving Southwestern Virginia and the Eastern Shore.
- **Peumansend Regional Jail.** Includes language directing the Department of Corrections to study the feasibility of transferring inmates that are out of compliance with time limits for intake into state facilities, to the Peumansend Regional Jail, which currently has excess capacity.
- **Franklin County Jail.** Includes \$33,619 GF the first year for the 25 percent state share of the capital cost of upgrading the plumbing system in the Franklin County Jail.

- **Department of Criminal Justice Services**
 - ***Aid to Localities with Police Departments.*** Includes \$10.8 million GF the first year and \$22.9 million GF the second year to provide full funding for state aid to localities with police departments, otherwise known as the House Bill 599 program, consistent with anticipated general fund revenue increases in the budget, as introduced.
 - ***Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine.*** Includes \$1.0 million each year for the newly established Institute, which is intended to train forensic scientists and pathologists to support the Division of Forensic Science and the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner. These and other funds will be used to match a \$1.5 million gift to establish the Institute.
 - ***Forensic Science Salaries.*** Includes \$1.5 million GF each year to continue a six-step salary increase for forensic scientists to enable the Division of Forensic Science to recruit and retain qualified personnel.
 - ***Forensic Science Positions.*** Includes \$395,110 GF the first year and \$704,890 GF the second year and 10.0 FTE positions for additional forensic scientists to meet increased workload.
 - ***Drug Court Programs.*** Includes \$2.7 million NGF each year from the Intensified Drug Enforcement Jurisdictions Fund for current drug court programs and those that have applied for federal funds. In certain cases, these funds will replace federal grant funds which are expiring. Two positions are included for program coordination. IDEA funds are generated from a portion of the fixed felony fee assessed by the courts for all felony convictions.
 - ***Jail-Based Drug Treatment (IDEA Funds).*** Includes \$700,000 NGF each year from IDEA funds to replace federal grants, which are expiring for jail-based substance abuse treatment programs serving the Cities of Norfolk, Petersburg and Salem, the Counties of Fairfax and Roanoke, and the Middle Peninsula Regional Jail. An additional \$225,000 GF is provided as matching funds through the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation, and Substance Abuse Services.
 - ***Jail-Based Drug Treatment (General Funds).*** Includes \$474,124 GF the first year and \$531,321 GF the second year to replace federal grants that are expiring for jail-based substance abuse treatment programs serving the Cities of Hampton and Roanoke, and Region IV of the Department of Corrections.

- **Community Corrections.** Includes \$1.75 million GF the first year and \$2.0 million GF the second year for local and regional community corrections and pre-trial services. Along with the additional funds provided through the SABRE program for substance abuse treatment, the \$16.5 million base budget for local community corrections is increased to \$19.8 million GF the first year and \$21 million GF the second year.
- **Community Corrections Funding Study.** Includes language directing the agency to study alternative methodologies for distributing state funds for the Comprehensive Community Corrections Act (CCCA) and the Pretrial Services Act (PSA), to assure an equitable distribution of funds while maintaining the current level of accountability provided by the discretionary grant process.
- **Private Security Regulation.** Includes \$17,692 NGF and 1.0 FTE position each year to address the increased workload associated with regulation of private security agencies.
- **Jail Training.** Includes \$50,000 GF each year and 2.0 FTE positions to assist in training for jail personnel.
- **Alzheimer's Training.** Includes \$50,000 GF each year and 1.0 FTE position to train law enforcement officers in helping to respond to calls for assistance with persons with Alzheimer's and related mental disorders.
- **Safe Return Program.** Includes \$75,000 GF each year for the Northern Virginia Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association to support statewide coordination of the Safe Return program, which assists families, law enforcement, and other agencies in helping persons with Alzheimer's Disease.
- **PAPIS.** Includes an additional \$200,000 GF each year for pre-release and post-incarceration services (PAPIS), to assist offenders leaving prison in becoming productive members of their communities and to reduce barriers to their employment.
- **Turn Off the Violence Clubs.** Includes \$75,000 GF each year for the Prince William County Community Information Education Coalition to replace a federal grant that is expiring for Turn Off the Violence Clubs in the Prince William County Schools.
- **CASA.** Includes \$150,000 GF the first year and \$300,000 GF the second year to increase state support for the Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) program.

- **COPS Matching Funds.** Includes a reduction of \$2.5 million GF each year for payments to localities for the local matching funds required by the federal Community Oriented Policing (COPS) grant program.
- **Rural Domestic Violence Program.** Includes \$15,936 NGF and 1.0 FTE position each year, to convert a wage position to full-time status to coordinate the Rural Domestic Violence Program. The source of the nongeneral funds is a federal grant.
- **E-911 Grants Program.** Includes \$1.4 million GF the second year to establish a grant program to assist localities that are otherwise unable to afford the development of wireline E-911 emergency telephone services. DCJS is directed to serve as fiscal agent, and the Department of Technology Planning is directed to provide technical assistance. This program is intended to assist localities in meeting the requirements of SB 148, as adopted by the 2000 General Assembly.
- **School Resource Officers.** Includes \$700,000 GF each year for additional matching grants for the School Resource Officers Incentive Grants Fund, with the local matching amounts to be based on the composite index of local ability-to-pay.
- **Virginia Center for School Safety.** Includes language specifying that \$52,512 the first year and \$57,285 the second year from the School Resource Officers Incentive Grants Fund may be used to establish the Virginia Center For School Safety, pursuant to HB 391 of the 2000 General Assembly. One FTE position also is provided for this purpose.
- **Federal Funds for Offices on Youth.** Includes language directing the agency to provide federal grants under Title V of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act to establish Offices on Youth (juvenile delinquency prevention programs) serving the City of Winchester and Clarke and Frederick Counties; Madison County; and, the City of Poquoson.
- **Criminal Justice Training Academies.** Includes language which places a moratorium on approval or funding by the Board of Criminal Justice Services for any new criminal justice training academies, pending further study of funding concerns.
- **New Partnership Position.** Includes 1.0 FTE position to support the New Partnership anti-crime program. No additional funds are provided.

- **Department of Emergency Services**
 - ***City of Franklin Flood Relief.*** Includes \$4.0 million GF the first year for flood relief for the City of Franklin. This is intended to assist the city in rebuilding its city hall and public safety buildings, which were severely damaged by floods following Hurricane Floyd in September, 1999.
 - ***Southampton County Flood Relief.*** Includes \$150,000 GF the first year for flood relief for Southampton County. This is intended to assist the county in building a new emergency operations center in the current expansion project for the Sheriff's Office. The old center must be replaced because of damage caused by floods following Hurricane Floyd in September, 1999.
 - ***Isle of Wight County Flood Relief.*** Includes \$30,975 GF the first year for flood relief for Isle of Wight County. This is the amount of damages not reimbursed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the State Emergency Management Assistance Program, or the County's casualty insurance carrier for damages caused by floods following Hurricane Floyd in September 1999.
 - ***Disaster Response Fund.*** Includes \$300,000 GF the first year to replenish the disaster response fund, which is used primarily to support responses to hazardous materials incidents. When these incidents occur, the agency usually bills the responsible party for costs, but because the responsible party cannot always be determined, an infusion from the general fund is needed. The recommended amount provides for repayment of a line of credit from the general fund and still leaves a working balance of \$150,000.
 - ***Newport News Floodplain Property.*** Includes \$118,750 GF the first year to match local and federal funds to acquire property in the Newmarket Creek and Salters Creek floodplains in the City of Newport News. Current residents will be relocated and the property will be redeveloped as open space.
 - ***Terrorism Response.*** Includes \$500,000 NGF the first year for detection and monitoring equipment to strengthen the agency's ability to respond to a terrorist attack or incident.

- **Department of Juvenile Justice**

- **Network Data Systems.** Includes \$450,000 GF the first year and \$140,000 GF the second year for field access to network data systems in the agency.

State Juvenile Correctional Centers

- **Medical Care Costs.** Includes \$1.8 million GF each year for increased medical and prescription drug costs.
- **Psychologists.** Includes \$295,000 GF the first year and \$269,000 GF the second year and 5.0 FTE psychologist positions to enhance the classification and treatment of juveniles committed to the department.
- **Pay Differential for Beaumont.** Includes \$415,634 GF the first year and \$425,268 GF the second year to cover the cost of a two-step salary increase for correctional officers at Beaumont, to assist the facility in recruiting and retaining qualified officers.
- **Sex Offender Program at Culpeper.** Continues a federal grant for \$432,621 NGF the first year and \$410,541 NGF the second year and 5.0 positions for sex offender treatment at Culpeper Juvenile Correctional Center. These funds are provided under the Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant.
- **Transfer of Funds and Positions.** Includes language authorizing the Department to transfer funds and positions among and between the state juvenile correctional centers to manage the state-responsible juvenile offender population in the most effective manner possible. The language further specifies this authority may be used to reduce the offender population at Beaumont and open additional housing units at Culpeper Juvenile Correctional Center.

Community Based Services

- **Transitional Services for Juvenile Offenders.** Includes \$3.0 million NGF the first year and \$6.5 million NGF the second year for transitional services for juvenile offenders leaving state facilities. The proposed source of nongeneral funds is federal funds under Title IV-E of the Social Security Act.
- **Private Provider Beds.** Includes \$1.0 million GF each year to contract for private provider beds. These beds are needed primarily for those juveniles with mental and physical health needs that cannot be met in state facilities.

- **Camp Washington.** Includes \$200,000 GF the first year and \$400,000 GF the second year to restructure the Camp Washington boot camp program upon termination of the current contract as of December 31, 2000.
- **Special Revenues for Substance Abuse Assessments.** Substitutes \$200,000 NGF for an equal amount of general funds each year, to reflect the use of revenues from the Drug Abuse Assessment Fund for the substance abuse screening and assessment program.
- **Augusta County Office on Youth.** Includes \$35,000 GF each year for a new juvenile delinquency prevention program serving Augusta County.
- **Loudoun County Court Services Unit.** Includes \$56,307 GF each year and 0.5 FTE positions to convert a half-time psychologist to full-time status.
- **Detention Home Capital Project Reimbursement.** Includes \$13.3 million GF the first year to reimburse localities for the state share of the capital cost of new and expanded local and regional juvenile detention facilities, totaling 199 new secure beds.

Facility	State Share
Roanoke Detention	\$4,300,202
Piedmont Detention	\$1,118,600
Henrico Detention	\$41,265
James River Regional Detention	\$3,641,400
Rappahannock Regional Detention	\$4,193,178
Middle Peninsula/Merrimac Detention	\$32,635
TOTAL	\$13,327,280

- **Detention Home Capital Project Review.** Includes \$80,000 GF each year and 1.0 FTE position to enhance agency review of proposed local and regional juvenile detention facility capital outlay projects.

- **Detention Home Operating Expense Reimbursement.** Includes \$6.4 million GF the first year to reimburse localities for the state share of the operating cost of local and regional juvenile detention facilities, to provide a minimum level of 50 percent state reimbursement for the operating expenses of juvenile detention facilities, pending further study of the reimbursement system.

Facility	State Share
Roanoke Detention	\$1,518,879
Piedmont Detention	\$382,491
James River Regional Detention	\$1,870,000
Rappahannock Regional Detention	\$1,552,934
Highlands Detention	\$10,740
W. W. Moore Detention (Danville)	242,369
Fairfax Detention	\$92,333
Adjustment to Base (50% Floor)	\$809,903
TOTAL	\$6,479,649

- **State Ward Per Diem Adjustment.** Includes \$150,000 GF each year to increase the level of state reimbursement to \$50 per day for state-responsible offenders housed in local and regional juvenile detention facilities.
- **Offices on Youth Base Funding.** Includes \$175,638 GF the first year to provide a minimum funding level of \$37,350 for each of the 24 Offices on Youth. Language is included which requires a report on standards for the operation of the offices.
- **Drug Court Programs.** Incorporates a reduction of \$200,000 GF each year for drug court programs. A companion amendment provides nongeneral funds in the Department of Criminal Justice Services for these programs.
- **VJCCCA.** Includes a language amendment which shortens the previous language describing the formula for distributing state

funds to localities under the Virginia Juvenile Community Crime Control Act (VJCCCA). The language also calls for a plan for the use of unexpended balances, and provides that future changes in the appropriation should be based on estimated changes in each locality's youth population.

- **Unbudgeted Cost Increases.** Includes \$500,000 the first year for unbudgeted cost increases for state-operated halfway houses; contractual increases for the Harriet Tubman House and the Norfolk and Peninsula Marine Institutes; and, increases in the aftercare contract with Camp Kenbridge.

- **Department of Military Affairs**

- **National Guard Tuition Assistance.** Includes \$350,000 GF the first year and \$950,000 GF the second year to phase-in the full cost of tuition at Virginia public colleges and universities, as a recruitment incentive for the Virginia National Guard.
- **Challenge Program.** Includes \$310,262 GF each year to replace federal funds that are being reduced for the Challenge Program for high school dropouts at Camp Pendleton. Also included is \$100,000 from nongeneral funds for this program.
- **Camp Pendleton.** Includes \$250,000 GF the first year to subsidize the operation of the State Military Reservation at Camp Pendleton. Federal funds and user charges have not been sufficient to cover the full cost of operation.
- **Fort Pickett Police Force.** Includes \$250,000 GF the first year, \$200,000 GF the second year, and 4.0 FTE positions each year to establish a police force at Fort Pickett. A recent study by the Department of Criminal Justice Services found that a law enforcement unit under the control of the base commander was needed to maintain security.
- **Fort Pickett Maneuver Training Center.** Includes \$112,215 NGF and 3.0 FTE positions to support the Maneuver Training Center at Fort Pickett. The number of active-duty U. S. Army units that utilize the center for training has increased, and current staff is insufficient to handle the workload. The nongeneral fund revenues are provided by the federal National Guard Bureau.
- **Fort Pickett Administrative Positions.** Includes \$531,789 NGF and 17.0 FTE positions each year to replace retiring U. S. Department of the Army civilian employees. These positions, which provide administrative and fiscal support for DMA Headquarters at Fort Pickett, cannot be replaced with federal civilian employees, so

additional state FTE positions are required. The nongeneral fund revenues are provided by the federal National Guard Bureau.

- **Armory Repair Projects.** Includes \$250,000 GF and \$500,000 NGF the first year for maintenance projects at various Virginia National Guard armories and logistical support facilities.
- **Air National Guard Repair Projects.** Includes \$5,500 GF and \$16,500 NGF each year for operation and maintenance of Air National Guard facilities. These funds are intended to address mechanical, plumbing, and electrical repair projects at older facilities. The federal National Guard Bureau provides 75 percent of the cost of this program.
- **Technical Adjustments.** Includes a series of technical adjustments using nongeneral funds (for example, soldier welfare funds). These recommended amendments address items such as recreation programs at Fort Pickett, soldier billeting, miscellaneous armory expenses, and an additional \$100,000 for the Commonwealth Challenge program.

- **Department of State Police**

- **Interagency Radio Communications System.** Includes \$5.0 million GF the first year for the initial engineering costs of the proposed interagency land-mobile radio system. Language authorizes the expenditure of these funds for land acquisition for radio towers and construction of a communication control building. Another language amendment calls for a study by the Department of Technology Planning of options for developing, financing, and allocating the cost of this system.
- **New Helicopters and Lynchburg Medevac.** Includes \$2.2 million GF the first year, \$2.5 million GF the second year, and six positions for new helicopters statewide and a new Medevac unit serving the Lynchburg region. The helicopter proposal assumes a ten-year lease-purchase financing arrangement:
 - To replace all four of the State Police single-engine helicopters (based in Richmond, Lynchburg, Abingdon, and Manassas); and,
 - To increase the number of twin-engine helicopters from two to three (adding a twin-engine helicopter at Lynchburg to the existing twin-engine helicopters at Richmond and Abingdon).

Language is included to exempt the agency from the requirement for using the Master Equipment Lease Program of the Department of the Treasury, so that a private lease-purchase agreement may be used in this case, consistent with the expected useful life of the helicopters.

The six new positions are proposed to create a new Medical Evacuation (Medevac) unit serving Lynchburg and the surrounding region.

- ***Automated Fingerprint Identification System.*** Includes \$350,000 GF the first year and \$150,000 GF the second year and four FTE positions to enhance the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS). This is intended to meet the increased workload anticipated as a result of the adoption of Senate Bill 603 and House Bill 1238 by the 2000 General Assembly. These bills are expected to increase the demand for criminal background checks for employees of day care centers and schools. A companion amendment to Item 461 in House Bill 29 provides additional funds for automation of the AFIS system.