

Executive

The Governor's proposed 2002-04 budget for Executive offices contains a net increase of \$2.5 million GF for the biennium when compared to the adjusted appropriation for current operations. This total reflects new spending of \$2.9 million, offset by \$458,248 in reductions.

HB/SB 30 also includes \$2.7 million in across-the-board reductions of 6 percent each year for the Executive Offices. Salaries of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Attorney General are not excluded from the base used to calculate the 6 percent reductions. These reductions are included in the Central Accounts for the Executive Department. Actions for achieving these reductions are not specified in the budget.

- **Office of the Attorney General**

- **Civil Commitment of Sexual Predators.** Includes \$364,416 GF and 6.0 FTE positions the second year to establish an office to deal with the civil commitment of sexual predators.
 - ? Legislation may be proposed to delay the effective date of the 1999 legislation which enacted this program from January 1, 2003, to January 1, 2004.
- **Tobacco Enforcement.** Provides \$148,902 GF and 2.3 FTE positions each year to establish an office to enforce compliance with duties placed on certain tobacco product manufacturers by the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement.
 - The budget document indicates the general fund will be reimbursed for 60 percent of these costs (or about \$95,340) on a proportional basis from the Tobacco Indemnification and Community Revitalization Fund (50%) and the Tobacco Settlement Fund (10%) through a Part 3 Transfer.
- **Legal Services for Tobacco Commission and Foundation.** Provides \$79,178 NGF and 0.7 FTE position each year for an office to provide legal services for the Virginia Tobacco Indemnification and Community Revitalization Commission and the Virginia Tobacco Settlement Foundation.
 - The proposed office would bill the commission and the foundation for actual legal services provided.

- **Secretary of the Commonwealth**
 - ***Additional Operating Expenses.*** Includes \$90,000 GF each year for increased postage and contractual services.

- **Office for Substance Abuse Prevention**
 - ***Funding for New Office.*** Provides \$600,000 NGF each year from a federal grant to establish the Office of Substance Abuse Prevention, created by the SABRE legislation enacted by the 2000 General Assembly.