

Public Safety

The Governor's proposed FY 2002 amendments for Public Safety agencies result in a net decrease of \$1.3 million GF. This total reflects new spending of \$9.1 million, offset by \$10.4 million in reductions. The additional spending includes \$7.5 million for the state share of operating costs at recently-opened local juvenile detention facilities and \$1.6 million for the new forensic laboratory in Norfolk. The \$10.4 million decrease reflects an adjustment in state aid to localities with police departments (HB 599) to conform funding growth to the change in state general fund revenues, pursuant to statute.

Additional Public Safety reductions in Central Appropriations total \$28.6 million GF including a 2 percent cut of \$11.5 million to be achieved through unspecified actions, and Executive Order 74 reductions of \$17.1 million. The budget document indicates the calculation of the 2 percent cut excluded the Departments of State Police, Military Affairs, and Emergency Services, and all security salaries in the Departments of Corrections and Juvenile Justice.

- **Department of Criminal Justice Services**

- **House Bill 599.** Adjusts the base budget for state aid to localities with police departments to provide for an increase of 0.8 percent in FY 2002 over the actual appropriation for FY 2001.
- The actual FY 2001 appropriation was \$171.7 million. The proposed amount for FY 2002 is \$173.0 million (an increase of 0.8 percent over FY 2001, consistent with the projected change in general fund revenues). However, this represents a decrease of \$10.4 million when compared to the amount for FY 2002 in Executive Order 74 (\$183.4 million).
- **Eastern Forensic Laboratory.** Provides \$1.6 million GF for maintenance and operating costs at the Eastern Laboratory of the Division of Forensic Science located in the new Norfolk Public Health Building.

- **Department of Fire Programs**

- **Position Conversion.** Provides \$60,000 NGF and 4.0 FTE positions to convert part-time employees to full-time employment status.

- **Department of Juvenile Justice**
 - ***Local Detention Facilities – Operating.*** Includes \$7.5 million GF for the state share of operating costs at new local and regional juvenile detention facilities.
 - ***Local Detention Facilities – Capital.*** Includes \$18,512 GF for the state share of the capital cost of a cost overrun on the renovations of the Henrico County Juvenile Detention Center. All other funding for the state share of capital costs is included in proposed VPBA bond authorization.
 - Language in the Treasury Board authorizes Virginia Public Building Authority bond financing for the state share of the capital costs for the Highlands Juvenile Detention Center in Abingdon (\$776,750 NGF) and the W. W. Moore Home for Juveniles in Danville (\$3.0 million NGF).
 - All other VPBA bond authority for the state share of capital costs for local and regional juvenile detention facilities is included in HB/SB 30 (the 2002-04 budget, as introduced.)
- **Department of Corrections**
 - ***Enterprise Fund Transfer.*** Includes a transfer of \$955,000 NGF to the general fund from the Virginia Correctional Enterprises Fund.