

Public Safety

The FY 2002 adopted budget for Public Safety agencies results in a net decrease of \$10.8 million GF. This total reflects new spending of \$6.2 million, offset by \$17.0 million in reductions. The additional spending includes \$4.6 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 \$17.0 million decrease reflects (1) a downward adjustment of \$16.0 million 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, and (2) a reduction of \$1.0 million in SABRE funding for local community corrections.

Additional Public Safety reductions in Central Appropriations total \$34.7 million GF, including 3 percent across-the-board reductions of \$17.6 million to be achieved through unspecified actions, and Executive Order 74 reductions of \$17.1 million. The 3 percent reductions exclude the Departments of State Police, Military Affairs, and Emergency Services, and all security salaries in the Departments of Corrections and Juvenile Justice.

- **Secretary of Public Safety**
 - ***Culpeper Juvenile Correctional Center.*** Includes language directing the Secretary of Public Safety, in cooperation with the Public Safety Subcommittees of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees, to develop a plan for the cost-effective utilization of the Culpeper Juvenile Correctional Center. The plan is to be communicated to the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees before any change is made in the utilization of the center.
- **Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control**
 - ***Executive Management Savings.*** Includes language directing the department to achieve a reduction of \$804,000 in fiscal year 2002 from Enterprise Funds. A companion amendment in Part 3 transfers these savings to the general fund.
- **Department of Corrections**
 - ***Faith-Based Services.*** Provides \$100,000 NGF for distribution to organizations that work to enhance faith-based services for inmates. The source of the nongeneral funds is profits generated by prison commissary operations.

- **Enterprise Fund Transfer.** Includes a transfer of \$955,000 NGF to the general fund from the Virginia Correctional Enterprises Fund.
- **Department of Criminal Justice Services**
 - **House Bill 599.** Adjusts the appropriation for state aid to localities with police departments based on revised revenue forecasts. The original appropriation of \$183.4 million (Chapter 1073 of the 2000 session) is now reduced to \$167.4 million.
 - **Eastern Forensic Laboratory.** Provides \$1.6 million GF for maintenance and operating costs at the Eastern Laboratory of the Division of Forensic Science in the Norfolk Public Health Building.
 - **SABRE Reduction.** Reduces the Substance Abuse Reduction Effort (SABRE) program by \$1.0 million GF. This eliminates the second year increase for local community corrections programs, which had not yet been awarded to localities.
 - **IDEA Fund Transfer.** Transfers the projected June 30, 2002, fund balance in the Intensified Drug Enforcement Jurisdictions (IDEA) Fund of \$5.0 million NGF to the general fund.
- **Department of Fire Programs**
 - **Position Conversion.** Provides \$60,000 NGF and 4.0 FTE positions to convert part-time employees to full-time status.
- **Department of Juvenile Justice**
 - **Local Detention Facilities – Operating.** Includes \$4.6 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 a 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).

- **Department of State Police**
 - ***State Agency Radio System.*** Includes language authorizing the department to conduct negotiations with potential vendors and, based on the outcome of those negotiations, to report the expected funding requirements to the Governor and the General Assembly.