

# Legislative

The 2004-06 budget, as adopted, includes a total of \$53.6 million GF the first year and \$53.5 million GF the second year for the Legislative Department. This represents a net increase of \$271,577 (0.25 percent) when compared to the adjusted appropriation for current operations.

The introduced budget includes a series of minor amendments which adjust funding for risk management premiums, state employee workers' compensation premiums, and rental charges for office space at the seat of government. Other Legislative Department amendments are shown below.

- **Auditor of Public Accounts**
  - *Financial Accounting Study.* Includes language directing a study of the operations of the State Comptroller as they relate to the Commonwealth's financial accounting and control operations.
  - *Deferred Maintenance Study.* Includes language directing a study of deferred maintenance costs for state buildings.
  - *Base Budget Adjustment.* Includes a technical reduction of \$78,435 GF each year in the base budget to reflect the actual budget request.
- **Division of Legislative Services**
  - *Elimination of Positions.* Includes a reduction of \$160,000 GF and two positions each year to reflect the elimination of two positions.
  - *Specialized Legal Services.* Provides \$50,000 GF each year for specialized legal services.
  - *Register of Regulations.* Includes a technical reduction of \$62,500 NGF each year to account for the privatization of the printing, distribution and subscription services related to the Register of Regulations. The agency will no longer collect the subscription revenue associated with this publication.
- **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Commission**
  - *Commemoration Funding.* Provides \$10,000 GF each year for the Commonwealth's two-year commemoration of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Brown v. Board of Education.

- **Commissioners for Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation**
  - *Organizational Expenses.* Provides \$21,000 GF the first year and \$23,000 GF the second year for an organizational dues increase, travel, and related expenses.
- **Virginia Commission on Youth**
  - *Vacancy Savings.* Includes a reduction of \$23,683 GF each year to reflect savings from leaving a part-time position vacant.
- **Virginia Crime Commission**
  - *Replacement of Federal Funds.* Provides \$69,463 GF the first year to replace a federal grant which expired on March 31, 2004.
  - *Computer Crimes.* Includes language directing the Commission to examine the statutory basis for computer crimes in Virginia.
- **Legislative Department Reversion Clearing Account**
  - *Across-the-Board Reductions.* Includes budget reductions for legislative agencies totaling \$547,000 GF each year.