

**PUBLIC PROTECTION AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET BILL
(Senate 6800 and Assembly 9800)**

DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT AND CONTROL

The amendments make various technical corrections.

DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL SERVICE

The amendment makes a technical correction.

CONSUMER PROTECTION BOARD

The amendment makes a technical correction.

CRIME VICTIMS BOARD

Victims and Witness Assistance Program

The amendment adds language to the Gifts and Bequests Account appropriation to allow for State Operations spending.

DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES

Funding and Program Assistance Program

The amendments increase the General Fund appropriation for the Aid to Crime Labs program by \$6 million, reflecting a decreased reliance on Federal Byrne-JAG grants to support this program. The Executive Budget offset General Fund support by funding \$8 million for this program with Federal Byrne-JAG grant funds. Accordingly, the appropriation amounts and corresponding language in the Federal Byrne-JAG grant have been adjusted to reflect the reduced amount for Aid to Crime Labs from this source.

In addition, there are technical amendments which replace or expand existing language in several appropriations to clarify that a portion of the funding may be transferred or suballocated as appropriate.

Operations and Systems Program

A technical amendment replaces existing language in an appropriation to clarify that a portion of the funding may be transferred or suballocated as appropriate.

STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The amendments make various technical corrections.

OFFICE OF GENERAL SERVICES

The amendments make various technical corrections.

TEMPORARY STATE COMMISSION OF INVESTIGATIONS

The amendment makes a technical correction.

JUDICIAL COMMISSIONS

The amendment makes a technical correction.

DEPARTMENT OF LAW

The amendment makes a technical correction.

OFFICE OF REAL PROPERTY SERVICES

Policy and Organizational Support Services Program

The amendments change the source of funding for \$3.8 million in local assistance payments, which offset the property tax impact of railroad reassessments, from the General Fund to the agency's fee-supported special revenue account.

DIVISION OF STATE POLICE

The amendment makes a technical correction.

WORKERS COMPENSATION BOARD

The amendments make various technical corrections.

MISCELLANEOUS -- ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

GENERAL STATE CHARGES

The amendments:

- Remove language that is no longer needed;
- Add language that clarifies various obligations that are already being made under the current appropriation; and
- Increase the Mental Hygiene offset by \$12,000,000 to accommodate additional savings proposals.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE

Aid and Incentives for Municipalities

The amendments increase the appropriation for the Local Government Efficiency Grant program by \$5 million and allow for the interchange of any unused moneys between Twenty-First Century Demonstration Project Grants and municipal merger incentives.

STATE EQUIPMENT FINANCE PROGRAM

The amendments add an additional \$30 million to the Capital Projects Fund for the purchase of equipment or the creation or improvement of information technology systems.

CONTINGENT AND OTHER APPROPRIATIONS

OFFICE OF GENERAL SERVICES

The amendments make various technical corrections.

WORKERS COMPENSATION BOARD

Workers' Compensation Program

The amendment adds a contingency appropriation to ensure that benefits to injured workers are maintained.

DEBT SERVICE BUDGET BILL
(Senate 6802 and Assembly 9802)

DEBT SERVICE

Debt Service Fund—General Debt Service Fund--311

The amendments increase appropriations for PIT Revenue Bonds to account for debt service costs associated with bonding for equipment financing and NYRA purposes.

Debt Reduction Reserve Fund

The amendment adds a new section to reappropriate the \$229,000,000 unexpended balance of the \$250,000,000 for the Debt Reduction Reserve Fund originally authorized in the 2007-08 enacted budget.

**EDUCATION, LABOR AND FAMILY ASSISTANCE BUDGET BILL
(Senate 6803 and Assembly 9303)**

COUNCIL ON THE ARTS

Administration Program

The amendments shift \$100,000 in Federal Aid to Localities appropriation authority to a Federal State Operations appropriation. The 2008-09 Executive Budget included \$1,513,000 in Aid to Localities appropriation authority to support the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) grant. The NEA has instructed the Council to use \$100,000 of this funding for strategic planning. Therefore, \$100,000 in appropriation authority will be shifted from Aid to Localities to State Operations.

CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

The amendments make various technical corrections.

City University—Senior Colleges

The amendments add \$750,000 to reflect the state fiscal year impact of a \$1 million increase for expanding nursing programs at CUNY.

STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

The amendments make various technical corrections.

Elementary, Middle, Secondary and Continuing Education Program

The amendments add \$4.2 million to reflect the state fiscal year impact of a \$6 million 2008-09 school year increase for the special academic improvement grants for the Roosevelt School District. Additionally, lottery revenue estimates are increased by \$5 million and reflected in both lottery special revenue appropriations and general fund supported school aid appropriations.

Office of Higher Education and the Professions Program

The amendments add a \$1 million local assistance appropriation for the nursing loan forgiveness incentive program at independent colleges and universities.

DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY ASSISTANCE

OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

The amendments make various technical corrections.

Youth Facilities Program

The amendments reduce the general fund appropriation to reflect vacancy savings in facilities that are scheduled to be closed.

OFFICE OF TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

The amendments make various technical corrections.

Employment and Economic Support Program

The amendment adds language explicitly stating the obligation of workforce investment boards in the use of summer youth funding.

Information Technology Program

The amendments reduce the Department's systems development funding for redesign of the Welfare Management System.

HIGHER EDUCATION SERVICES CORPORATION

The amendment makes a technical correction.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Administration Program

The amendments make a technical correction to language in the unemployment insurance administration appropriation to authorize the payment of aid to localities and add a \$5 million General Fund Local Assistance appropriation for cafeteria health and safety projects.

Employment and Training Program

The amendments make a technical correction to language in the workforce investment act federal appropriation to authorize the payment of state operations.

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

The amendment makes a technical correction.

All State University Colleges and Schools

The amendments add \$1 million in funding for nursing programs aimed at addressing the statewide nursing shortage.

CONTINGENT AND OTHER APPROPRIATIONS

CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

Initiatives and Management

The amendments add \$1 million in funding for expanding nursing programs aimed at addressing the statewide nursing shortage.

**HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE BUDGET BILL
(Senate 6804 and Assembly 9804)**

OFFICE FOR THE AGING

The amendments make various technical corrections, in addition to the substantive changes described below.

Administration and Grants Management Program

The amendment adds \$14,000 in Federal funds to include a reappropriation that was inadvertently omitted.

Community Services Program

The amendments correct language to replace Suffolk County with Nassau County as a recipient in the Independent Living Senior Housing Pilot Project and modify appropriation language to allow the transfer of funds between Aid to Localities and State Operations.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

The amendments make various technical corrections, in addition to the substantive changes described below.

AIDS Institute Program

The amendments add \$1,175,000 to reappropriate various 2007-08 Legislative proposals that were not included in the Executive Budget.

Centers for Community Health

The amendments:

- Add \$10,125,000 to reappropriate various 2007-08 Legislative proposals that were not included in the Executive Budget;
- Move \$19,485,000 in program funding from the General Fund and Health Care Reform Act (HCRA) to the Insurance Assessment account for cervical cancer vaccine, immunization, lead poisoning and childhood obesity programs; and
- Modify the Cost Of Living Adjustment (COLA) and other language to replace "Abstinence Education" with "Comprehensive Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention" to more appropriately reflect current program administration.

Center for Environmental Health

The amendments move \$5.5 million in program funding from the General Fund to the Insurance Assessment account for the childhood lead poisoning program.

Elderly Pharmaceutical Insurance Coverage (EPIC)

The amendments add language for the EPIC program relating to implementation of a mandatory generic drug substitution initiative and requiring prior authorization of prescriptions not covered by Medicare Part D before EPIC pays for them.

Health Care Reform Act (HCRA)

The amendments:

- Increase the Healthy NY appropriation by \$4.5 million to reflect costs associated with the reclassification of for-profit Health Maintenance Organizations as insurance companies for tax purposes;
- Allow a portion of the cancer services appropriation to be used for state operations;
- Add \$20 million in HCRA funding for the Health Facility Restructuring Program to provide loans to financially struggling hospitals; and
- Reappropriate prior year funding for Legislative Priority Pools which were not included in the Executive Budget.

Medical Assistance Administration

The amendments add transfer language for the Office of Mental Health, the Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities and the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services. This language is necessary to allow the Department of Health (DOH) to transfer authority to these agencies to make certain payments directly to local providers of Medicaid services.

Medical Assistance Program

The amendments to General Fund and Federal appropriations:

- Change appropriation levels to reflect additional savings accruing from both program reestimates and additional savings actions including: 1) increasing the Medicaid trend factor reduction for hospitals, nursing homes, and personal/home care from 25 percent to 35 percent; 2) increasing the Covered Lives Assessment by an additional \$50 million; 3) reflecting additional Berger Commission savings; 4) Medicaid and Family Health Plus spending reestimates; 5) reestimate of drug rebate revenue; and 6) reestimate in Medicaid Pharmacy costs to be paid by HCRA.
- Increase spending by \$2 million to allow DOH to fund a contract to manage utilization of new recipients receiving personal care services in New York City.
- Add a \$4 million appropriation for DOH to contract with the State University of New York for clinical reviews and other activities to maximize Federal Medicaid reimbursement, which was inadvertently omitted from the Executive Budget.
- Reappropriate funding for various programs that were not included in the Executive Budget, including: 1) priority restoration payments; 2) managed care transition fund; 3) home care rural expansion; 4) hospice palliative care program; 5) assisted living program; and 6) chronic illness demonstration projects.

Office of Long Term Care

The amendments reduce appropriations by \$1 million in the Office of Long Term Care, the Office of Health Insurance Programs, and the Office of Health Systems Management to reflect personal service savings.

Wadsworth Center for Laboratories and Research

The amendments revise language to direct the distribution of funds to be provided from the Multiple Sclerosis Research Account in the areas of "pediatric" care and remove duplicative language in the Clinical Laboratory Reference System Assessment Account.

Health Care Standards and Surveillance

The amendments:

- Revise reappropriation language to allow a portion of the Nursing Home Transition and Diversion Waiver to be transferred to State Operations or up to 100 percent to be suballocated to the Division of Housing and Community Renewal; and
- Add \$1.8 million in reappropriations for various legislative items not included in the Executive Budget.

OFFICE OF MEDICAID INSPECTOR GENERALMedicaid Audit and Fraud Prevention Program

The amendments reduce the General Fund personal service appropriation by \$2 million to reflect vacancy savings.

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HYGIENE

The amendments increase the Mental Hygiene Program Fund appropriation by \$12 million to reflect additional State Operations savings and provide flexibility by allowing the Patient Income Account (PIA) to support fringe benefit costs.

OFFICE OF ALCOHOLISM AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES

The amendments add the following amounts in the following programs to support carry-in costs associated with liabilities incurred prior to April 1, 2008:

- \$20 million - Community Treatment Services Program;
- \$1.5 million - Executive Direction Program;
- \$1.7 million - Institutional Services Program; and
- \$4 million - Prevention and Program Support Program.

Furthermore, language has been changed to clarify the authorization to transfer funds within the Office to facilitate the overall restructuring of appropriations.

Additionally, the amendments make a couple of technical corrections in the reappropriations section.

OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH

The amendments add language to various programs to allow for the transfer of authority from state operations to local assistance and/or any appropriation as needed to facilitate the overall restructuring of appropriations, in addition to the substantive changes described below.

Adult Services

The amendment makes a technical correction to the language for the Managed Care Demonstrations, which is needed to implement the 2008-09 Executive Budget funded at \$1.5 million.

OFFICE OF MENTAL RETARDATION AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

The amendments add the following amounts in the following programs to support carry-in costs associated with liabilities incurred prior to April 1, 2008:

- \$4.1 million - Central Coordination and Support Program;
- \$20.6 million - Community Services Program; and
- \$10.6 million - Institutional Services Program.

Furthermore, language has been changed to clarify the authorization to transfer funds within the Office to facilitate the overall restructuring of appropriations.

Additionally, the amendments make a couple of technical corrections.

**TRANSPORTATION, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION BUDGET BILL
(Senate 6805 and Assembly 9805)**

ADIRONDACK PARK AGENCY

Administration Program

The amendments move the appropriation for the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board from Local Assistance to State Operations.

BANKING DEPARTMENT

The amendments reduce various appropriations to reflect estimated savings resulting from additional agency management actions and make a technical correction.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

The amendments make various technical corrections.

DIVISION OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY RENEWAL

The amendments reduce various appropriations to reflect estimated savings resulting from additional agency management actions.

INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

The amendments make various technical corrections.

Administration Program and
Consumer Services Program

The amendments reduce personal service, fringe benefit, and indirect cost appropriations to reflect estimated savings resulting from additional agency management actions.

Regulation Program

The amendments:

- reduce personal service, fringe benefit, and indirect cost appropriations to reflect estimated savings resulting from additional agency management actions;
- add \$24,985,000 for new suballocations to the Department of Health; and
- add a new \$10 million reappropriation for contractual expenses.

DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Compulsory Insurance Program

The amendments reduce appropriation authority related to a reduced spending projection.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE

Regulation of Utilities Program

The amendments add a \$1,691,000 Special Revenue Federal reappropriation for the Pipeline Safety Grant Account.

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF REGULATORY REFORM

Administration Program

The amendments reduce the appropriation for personal service to reflect estimated savings resulting from additional agency management actions.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Local Government and Community Services Program

The amendment changes the appropriation language for the administration of the civil legal services program to provide for the distribution of funds through existing contracts or through a competitive process.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE

The amendments reduce various appropriations to reflect estimated savings resulting from additional agency management actions.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The amendments make various technical corrections.

Dedicated Mass Transportation Trust Fund Program

The amendments increase appropriations to reflect revenue reestimates for dedicated transit funds. Additional revenue is estimated to be available from these dedicated sources; accordingly, increased appropriation authority is necessary.

NEW YORK STATE URBAN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Community Projects Fund

The amendment changes a \$750,000 1999 appropriation for the Town of Newcomb to modify the use of funds.

Economic Development CCP

The amendments add two new capital appropriations to acquire a clear title to the Aqueduct, Belmont and Saratoga racetracks and for the construction of a video lottery terminal facility, and add a \$300 million reappropriation that was inadvertently omitted to continue support for International SEMATECH Headquarters at Albany Nanotech.

CONTINGENT AND OTHER APPROPRIATIONS

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

The amendments make a technical correction.