DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES

Administration Program

The amendment moves a General Fund appropriation associated with the merged Crime Victims Board from the Administrative Program to the Victim Services Program within the Division of Criminal Justice Services. This change consolidates all appropriations associated with the merged Crime Victims Board under the Victim Services Program.

Funding and Program Assistance Program

Several amendments for this program are proposed, to:

- Add language for the Road to Recovery Program to allow Local Assistance funds authorized for transfer to the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services to be used for State Operations expenses as well.

- Increase a reappropriation for the Road to Recovery Program by $200,000.

- Remove a reference to the Arrestee Drug Abuse Monitoring (ADAM) Program from appropriation language to allow the funds to be used as a State match for other programs.

- Change a calendar year reference from 2003 to 2004 to correct the year for which local expenses will be reimbursed from the State fiscal year 2004-05 appropriation for Probation Aid to counties and the City of New York.

Payment to Victims Program

The amendment adds a $150,000 reappropriation, originally appropriated to the Crime Victims Board, for sexual assault survivor services training. This reappropriation will provide for delivery of program training services.

STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Regulation of Elections Program

The amendment adds language to the Help America Vote Act Implementation Account appropriation to authorize the Director of the Budget to transfer Help America Vote Act appropriations to any eligible State department, agency or Federal fund and account.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Local Government and Community Services Program

The amendment increases the reappropriation for Hudson Valley smart growth compacts from $60,000 to $120,000.

ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

Family Assistance

The amendment corrects language authorizing the transfer of funds to support training programs.
The amendment enables the transfer of revenue from the Fee and Penalty Account to the newly established Child Performer Protection Account to cover costs associated with enforcement of Chapter 630 of the Laws of 2003.
CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

General Maintenance and Improvements (CCP)

The amendment adds language authorizing Hunter College to use available capital funding for the Hunter College Visual and Performing Arts Complex.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Elementary, Middle, Secondary and Continuing Education Program

The amendments correct the date for final submission of data for calculating a set-aside and correct a formula component in the Consortium for Worker Education Program. These corrections do not affect appropriation totals for the program.

Batavia ICF/DD Program

The amendment corrects the amount of the nonpersonal service appropriation; this correction does not affect the appropriation totals for the program, which already reflect the correct figure.

Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities (VESID) Program

The amendments add language to VESID’s General Fund appropriations for the Case Services and Supported Employment Programs to authorize the use of 2004-05 funds for services provided during the Federal Fiscal Year starting on October 1, 2003 to meet maintenance of effort requirements.

OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Commission for the Blind and Visually Handicapped Program

The amendments correct appropriation language to authorize the transfer of Federal funds from the Commission for the Blind and Visually Handicapped Program to the State Department of Education to operate employment programs for the disabled.

OFFICE OF TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Employment Services Administration Program

The amendment adds $1.4 million in appropriation authority to the Employment Services Administration Program to correct an error.

Food Stamp Administration Program

The amendment adds language to the Federal Food and Nutrition Services Account appropriation to clarify that a portion of the funds may be suballocated or transferred to the Department of Health in support of Food Stamp Nutrition Education Program expenses.
Transitional Supports And Policy Program

The amendment increases funding for the Single Room Occupancy (SRO) Support Services Program by $840,000 to support the provision of services in new supportive housing units currently under development that are expected to open during 2004-05.

Temporary And Disability Assistance Program

The amendments:

- add language to the Temporary and Disability Assistance Program appropriation to allow case management funds to be used by local social services districts to serve public assistance recipients in outpatient treatment as well as those recipients in residential drug and alcohol treatment centers;

- reflect a General Fund appropriation increase of $14,916,000 to accommodate revised welfare caseload and expenditure projections and to reflect the redirection of $500,000 in Federal TANF funding from offsetting State welfare costs to restoring the Pregnancy Prevention Program to its 2003-04 funding level;

- increase the Federal Food and Nutrition Services Account appropriation level by $124,000 to accommodate additional anticipated Federal Food Stamp Employment and Training funding for Department of Labor administrative costs;

- increase the amount of Federal TANF funding for the Pregnancy Prevention Program in the Federal Health and Human Services Fund appropriation by $500,000 to restore this program to its 2003-04 funding level; and

- decrease the amount of Federal TANF funding for the Substance Abuse Screening and Assessment Program in the SFY 2000-01 and 2001-02 Federal Health and Human Services Fund reappropriations by $1.5 million to achieve $1.5 million in 2004-05 General Fund savings already assumed in the Executive Budget from the use of these prior-year Federal TANF funds to offset 2004-05 State welfare costs.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Administration Program

The amendment adds language to the Unemployment Insurance Administration Fund appropriation to permit the use of Unemployment Insurance (UI) wage reporting penalty revenue for UI administration. Reappropriations from such Fund for 2001-02, 2002-03 and 2003-04 are also amended to reflect this change.

Labor Standards Program

The amendments add a new Special Revenue-Other appropriation for costs associated with the registration and oversight of child performers, consistent with Chapter 630 of the Laws of 2003. The new appropriation will not increase the overall appropriation level as these funds were originally included within the Labor Standards Fee and Penalty appropriation, which is being reduced to reflect the shift to a separate appropriation.
Employment and Training Program

The amendment modifies the reappropriation of the 2002 Youth Education Employment Training Program (YEETP) to restore the appropriation amount to the original level.

The 2002 reappropriation for the Strategic Training Alliance Program (STRAP) is also amended to increase the reappropriated amount by $860,000 and restore the appropriation amount to the original level.

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

State Operations

The amendments add language in relation to a memorandum of understanding between the State University and the Higher Education Services Corporation for student loan services, and amend the submission date of the State University Tuition Reimbursable Account (SUTRA) appropriation annual plan.

General Maintenance and Improvements (CCP)

The amendments add language authorizing SUNY Cortland to interchange funds among bonded projects, comparable to other campuses, and reallocate funds from the University’s capital lump sums to provide facility funds for the Levin Institute.

MISCELLANEOUS -- ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

HIGHER EDUCATION FACILITIES CAPITAL MATCHING GRANTS PROGRAM

The amendments add language to modify fund-raising requirements of the program.

CONTINGENT AND OTHER APPROPRIATIONS

CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

The amendments add language and modify the appropriation schedule to reallocate funds for collective bargaining costs, and add language in relation to a memorandum of understanding between the City University and the Higher Education Services Corporation for student loan services.
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

AIDS Institute Program

The amendment increases the General Fund Personal Service appropriation by $453,000 to correctly align the appropriation level with the recommended positions.

Center for Community Health Program

The amendments increase the Fiduciary Fund appropriation for the Prostate and Testicular Cancer Research and Education Account by $50,000 to reflect anticipated revenue, and change the Special Revenue Fund Early Intervention Provider Fee Account appropriation from Aid to Localities to State Operations.

Center for Environmental Health Program

The amendment changes the appropriation for the Water Supply Protection Program from the Special Revenue Fund to the General Fund to correctly reflect the 2004-05 funding source for the program.

Elderly Pharmaceutical Insurance Coverage Program

The amendment adds a $1.5 million Special Revenue Fund appropriation to support efforts to inform EPIC enrollees about the benefits of the Federal Medicare Discount Card Program.

Office of Medicaid Management Program

The amendment deletes language referencing the Federal Health Care Financing Administration, which is now referred to as the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Health Care Financing Program

The amendment adds a $300,000 General Fund State Operations reappropriation to allow for the completion of a federally mandated audit contract.

Medicaid Audit and Fraud Prevention and Medical Assistance Programs

The amendments add General Fund reappropriations of $5.1 million to allow for the completion of contracts.

Wadsworth Center For Laboratories and Research Program

The amendment adds a $70,000 General Fund Aid to Localities reappropriation for the Diabetes Mellitus Program to allow for the completion of grant contracts.

CONTINGENT AND OTHER APPROPRIATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

The amendment extends the Medicaid Assistance Restitution Account appropriation authority from March 31, 2005 to March 31, 2006 to be consistent with previous extensions.
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

Environment and Recreation (CCP)

The amendment makes corrections to authorize additional Environmental Protection Fund (EPF) grant payments to soil and water conservation districts for storm-water management program activities in addition to existing funding authority for such organizations.

Solid and Hazardous Waste Management (CCP)

The amendments make corrections to the Hazardous Waste Remedial Fund appropriation, consistent with current statute.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Mass Transportation Operating Assistance Fund Program

The amendment adds language to the Metropolitan Mass Transportation Operating Assistance Account appropriation for the City of New York to reserve $2,000,000 of this appropriation for expenses incurred for the Staten Island express bus service. This action restores the appropriation language in the enacted SFY 2003-04 Budget that was inadvertently dropped in the process of reorganizing transit funding sources in the 2004-05 Executive Budget.

MISCELLANEOUS - ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

TRIBAL STATE COMPACT REVENUE

The amendment adds an appropriation of $750,000 to permit the State, pursuant to section 99-h of the State Finance Law, to transfer to local governments a portion of State revenues received from a new tribal casino that will be located in Salamanca, Cattaraugus County.