

**PUBLIC PROTECTION AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET BILL**  
**(Senate 6450 And Assembly 9550)**

DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT AND CONTROL

Local Government and Economic Development Services

The amendment adds \$2.8 million to annualize the funding for the Department's school audit initiative from \$2.9 million to \$5.7 million and authorizes the agency to fill an additional 50 FTEs related to this initiative.

DEPARTMENT OF LAW

Public Advocacy Program

The amendments add a \$1.4 million appropriation for services and expenses related to a web-based prescription drug retail price list.

DIVISION OF MILITARY AND NAVAL AFFAIRS

Military Readiness Program

The amendment reappropriates the Patriot Plan III (2005) \$2.5 million appropriation to reimburse eligible active duty military members for Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance (SGLI) premiums.

DIVISION OF PROBATION AND CORRECTIONAL ALTERNATIVES

Community Corrections Program

The amendments:

- Change the calendar year reference in the appropriation that reimburses counties for expenses associated with probation services; and
- Add a new \$1 million appropriation to the General Fund, Local Assistance Account, for expenses of local probation departments related to the collection of DNA samples from offenders on probation supervision.

MISCELLANEOUS -- ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

GENERAL STATE CHARGES

General State Charges

The amendment deletes language from the pension appropriation that authorizes the creation of an actuarial and investment oversight board to review and report on the actuarial and investment practices of the New York State and Local Employees Retirement System and the New York State and Local Police and Fire Retirement System; and decreases the related pension appropriation by \$100,000.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE

Aid and Incentives for Municipalities

The amendment adds language to the appropriation for the Shared Municipal Services Incentive Program to authorize the Department of State to contract with the Government Law Center at Albany Law School to provide regional

technical assistance through academic institutions relating to consolidations, mergers, dissolutions, cooperative agreements and shared services.

State Court-Approved Settlement Payment to the City of Yonkers

The amendment clarifies that the appropriation for the City of Yonkers school desegregation settlement will support the State's remaining obligation for the 2005-06 school year. The final \$20 million payment under the settlement agreement is scheduled for May 2006.

CONTINGENT AND OTHER APPROPRIATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT AND CONTROL

Payroll and Revenue Services Program

The amendment adds a \$150 million contingent appropriation to pay claims from the Abandoned Property Fund provided that no other assets of such fund are available for payment.

**EDUCATION, LABOR AND FAMILY ASSISTANCE BUDGET BILL**  
**(Senate 6453 And Assembly 9553)**

STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Elementary, Middle, Secondary and Continuing Education Program

The amendments add language to clarify the computation and payment of tax limitation aid for the remaining obligations for the 2005-06 school year and for aid payable in the 2006-07 school year.

DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY ASSISTANCE

OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Family and Children's Services Program

The amendment increases the Foster Care appropriation by \$4,000,000 to fund all associated costs for the human services cost of living adjustment, including personal and nonpersonal service costs.

Account GG

The amendment modifies a reappropriation to provide \$50,000 to TOVA (Torah Viable Alternatives) for mentoring services.

OFFICE OF TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Temporary and Disability Assistance Program

The amendments add language to the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) appropriation to clarify that:

- Funds withheld at the request of local governments for operation of the EDGE/Bridge programs may also be used for associated State Operations costs;
- Contract programs may be operated by the State, at local government request, if such program was operated by the State in either SFY 2004-05 or SFY 2005-06; and
- Prior year claims for administration may be used as a factor in Flexible Fund for Family Services allocations.

In addition, the amendments reappropriate the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program funding enacted recently in two deficiency bills to pay liabilities incurred for applications received on or before April 15, 2006.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Labor Standards and Occupational Safety and Health Programs

The amendments add language to permit the use of up to \$5 million from the Department's special revenue accounts to support the Unemployment Insurance Systems Modernization Project. The amendments also give the Department the ability to transfer appropriation authority from the Fee and Penalty Account to any other special revenue accounts to support Systems Modernization.

## STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

All State University Colleges and Schools

The amendments:

- Revise the Charter Schools Institute/Rockefeller Institute appropriation language to increase the authorized suballocation amount for the Charter School Institute from \$750,000 to \$798,000;
- Reverse the proposed transfer of \$22.8 million in excess tuition revenue generated through targeted enrollment growth from the State University General Revenue Offset Account to the State University Tuition Reimbursable Account (SUTRA); and
- Add \$250,000 to establish the Central New York Cord Blood Center at the State University Health Science Center at Syracuse.

Employee Fringe Benefits

The amendments provide an additional \$3.9 million in State General Fund support to reflect the loss of additional fringe benefit recoveries accruing to the Revenue Offset Account.

General Revenue Offset and Tuition Assistance

The amendments increase the State University General Revenue Offset Account appropriation by \$18.9 million to reflect reversal of the proposed transfer of \$22.8 million of tuition revenue from this account to the SUNY Tuition Reimbursable Account, offset by \$3.9 million reflecting a reduction in fringe benefit recoveries accruing to the Revenue Offset Account.

Student Aid

The amendment changes the effective date of one of the Federal Pell Grant Program reappropriations to allow the Office of the State Comptroller to issue 2001-02 refunds.

General Income Reimbursable

The amendment adds a \$20 million reappropriation for the State University General Income Reimbursable Account to enable campuses to carry over funds related to multi-year contracts.

General Maintenance and Improvements (CCP)

The amendments reduce the lump-sum appropriation for critical maintenance and high priority projects by \$5 million and provide \$5 million for the Neil D. Levin Graduate Institute of International Relations and Commerce.

## MISCELLANEOUS -- ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

## REVIEW OF STATE TESTING ADMINISTRATION

State Testing Review Program

The amendment removes a recommendation to provide funding for Review of State Testing Administration.

**HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE BUDGET BILL**  
**(Senate 6454 And Assembly 9554)**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Administration and Executive Direction Program

The amendments:

- Add \$580,000 in funding to support the collection of data from emergency departments and ambulatory care facilities. Additional reporting requirements for ambulatory care facilities are necessary to comply with Federal requirements to justify upper payment limit calculations;
- Modify the cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) language to clarify the programs included and related requirements; and
- Correct the appropriation amounts in the Miscellaneous Special Revenue Fund - 339, Vital Records Management Account.

AIDS Institute

The amendments modify the COLA language to clarify the programs included and related requirements.

Center for Community Health Program

The amendments:

- Make a technical change in regional perinatal centers language to ensure consistency with program regulations;
- Modify the COLA language to clarify the programs included and related requirements;
- Revise language associated with the School-Based Health Centers appropriation to clarify that no changes to existing program distributions are intended;
- Correct the fund receiving a transfer related to tuberculosis and sexually transmitted diseases; and
- Correct the cited Federal grant reference in the reappropriations.

Health Care Financing Program

The amendment reduces the appropriation by \$1,932,000 to reflect a shift of 25 positions to the Health Care Standards and Surveillance Program.

Health Care Reform Act Program

The amendments:

- Revise the appropriation for the Excess Medical Malpractice program to accurately reflect the increase in allocation authority provided in section 2807-1 of the Public Health Law;
- Add language to clarify that grants may be made available to State operated facilities for worker retraining; and

- Add language to make funds available for administrative expenses to implement the anti-tobacco program.

#### Health Care Standards and Surveillance Program

The amendments:

- Add \$1,932,000 for the shift of 25 positions from the Health Care Financing Program; and
- Add \$720,000 for contractual services to operate the new Centralized Hospital Complaint Intake Program.

#### Office of Managed Care Program

The amendments add \$300,000 for a new special revenue account to collect fees charged for the review of managed care organization mergers and acquisitions.

#### Maintenance Undistributed

The amendments transfer appropriations from the Miscellaneous Special Revenue Fund - 339, Recoveries and Revenue Account from the Department of Health to the Office of Medicaid Inspector General.

#### Office of Medicaid Management

The amendments combine Special Revenue Funds - Federal / State Operations appropriations.

#### Medical Assistance Program

The amendments:

- Revise language for the detoxification reform proposal to more appropriately describe detoxification services provided by facilities;
- Add language to authorize the transfer of Local Assistance funds to State Operations for the education of dual Medicaid and Medicare eligibles regarding the Medicare Part D program; and
- Correct the funding source for the Health Reform Partnership Program.

#### Health Care Efficiency and Affordability Law for New Yorkers (HEAL NY) Capital Grant Program (CCP)

The amendments clarify that HEAL NY Capital Grant funding can be used for related costs of health facility closures, conversions and consolidations.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
OFFICE OF MEDICAID INSPECTOR GENERAL

#### Medicaid Audit and Fraud Prevention Program

The amendments:

- Add General Fund appropriation authority, to spend along with available Federal funds, for the Office of Medicaid Inspector General to locate office space and pay rent; and

- Make a technical change that allows \$5 million in General Fund resources, along with available Federal funds, to be used for activities in addition to contracts with SUNY.

#### OFFICE OF ALCOHOLISM AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES

##### Community Treatment Services Program

The amendments:

- Increase Local Assistance General Fund appropriations to cover reductions advanced in the FFY 2006 Federal budget to Federal grant awards used to offset ongoing State-funded programs (an equal reduction in authority is advanced for the affected Federal grant award); and
- Authorize the Office to require that local government units (e.g., counties) verify that the cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) funding was used for its intended purposes in situations where the primary funding relationship is between the agency and localities.

##### Executive Direction Program

The amendment enables moneys of the Credentialing Services Account to also be used in support of activities to credential compulsive gambling counselors.

##### Prevention and Program Support

The amendments:

- Authorize the Office to deposit provider settlements as a refund to the 2006-07 Local Assistance General Fund appropriation;
- Increase Local Assistance General Fund appropriations to cover reductions advanced in the FFY 2006 Federal budget to Federal grant awards used to offset ongoing State-funded programs (an equal reduction in authority is advanced for the affected Federal grant award); and
- Authorize the Office to require that local government units (e.g., counties) verify that the COLA funding was used for its intended purposes in situations where the primary funding relationship is between the agency and localities.

#### OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH

##### Adult Services and Children and Youth Services Programs

The amendments add language to more clearly define which mental health programs are eligible to receive a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) and authorize the Office of Mental Health to require that local government units (e.g., counties) verify that the COLA funding was used for its intended purposes in situations where the primary funding relationship is between the agency and localities.

#### OFFICE OF MENTAL RETARDATION AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

##### Central Coordination and Support Program

The amendment increases the appropriation for the Federal Senior Companions Program by \$50,000 to enable the agency to access the full amount of funding available for this program.

Community Services Program

The amendment adds language to the Local Assistance Account appropriation to authorize the agency to require that local government units (e.g., counties) verify that the cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) funding was used for its intended purposes in situations where the primary funding relationship is between the Office and localities.



**TRANSPORTATION, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND  
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION BUDGET BILL  
(Senate 6455 And Assembly 9555)**

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Account GG

The amendment modifies a reappropriation to provide \$250,000 for the Theodore Roosevelt Sanctuary and Audubon Center.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Program

The amendments add an appropriation for community impact research grants (Environmental Justice) that will provide grants of up to \$25,000 to groups in communities with exposure to environmental risks.

Environment and Recreation (CCP)

The amendments correct two Environmental Conservation Law references in the Open Space Account appropriation, and amend Environmental Protection Fund (EPF) appropriation language pertaining to the non-point source program.

Solid and Hazardous Waste Management (CCP)

The amendments correct a date reference to allow the Department to pay for costs incurred prior to April 1, 2006, and move a reappropriation to the correct funding source.

DIVISION OF LOTTERY

Administration of the VLT Program

The amendment removes unnecessary language from the appropriation for the VLT Program.

OFFICE OF PARKS, RECREATION AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Account GG

The amendment modifies a reappropriation to provide \$100,000 for the Irish Repertory Theater Institute.

Maintenance and Improvements of Existing Facilities (CCP)

The amendments correct date references to allow the agency to pay for liabilities incurred prior to April 1, 2006.

STATE RACING AND WAGERING BOARD

Regulation of Racing and Regulation of Wagering Programs

The amendments add language to provide that all or a portion of the appropriations may be transferred to the State Gaming Commission.

URBAN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Economic Development Program

The amendments add a \$1 million appropriation to support Military Base Retention activities and revise the \$7.5 million Centers of Excellence program appropriation to clarify the use of funds.

Account GG

The amendment modifies a reappropriation to provide \$250,000 for operating expenses of the Hudson-Fulton-Champlain Quadricentennial Commission.

Regional Development (CCP)

The amendments add \$30 million to the \$475 million capital appropriation as well as adding separate reference numbers for each capital project type.

MISCELLANEOUS -- ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

GREENWAY HERITAGE CONSERVANCY FOR THE HUDSON RIVER

The amendments correct the reappropriation total for the Conservancy.

TRIBAL STATE COMPACT REVENUE

Tribal State Compact Revenue Program

The amendments add appropriations for the Tribal State Compact Revenue Program to provide \$3.575 million for municipal governments in Franklin, Cattaraugus and St. Lawrence counties.