

Virginia Sheriffs' Association



The Voice of Virginia's Sheriffs and Deputies

Please find a [summary of budget recommendations](#) from the House and Senate budget committees, prepared by Ms. Robyn M. de Socio with the Virginia Compensation Board.

Following is the summary of funding and language amendments recommended by the House Appropriations Committee and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee Budget Conferees to the current year and biennial budget funding proposals in HB29 and HB30, respectively, impacting Constitutional Officers and the Compensation Board. Also included is a summary of items proposed in the Governor's Budget Bill as introduced that remain unchanged, however items that are solely technical in nature are not listed.

[FY22 Caboose Bill \(HB29\)](#)

Sheriffs and Regional Jails

- A language amendment is included in HB29 providing that localities that provide in FY22 either a one-time bonus or a salary increase equal to or greater than \$3,000 for Compensation Board funded sworn deputy sheriffs or regional jail officers satisfies the requirement established by the 2021 Special Session II of the General Assembly to provide a \$3,000 bonus for these deputies and officers.

[FY23/FY24 Biennial Budget Bill \(HB30\)](#)

All Constitutional Officers

- Language and funding is included in FY22 to support a 5% across-the-board salary increase effective August 1, 2022, and an additional 5% across-the-board salary increase effective July 1, 2023, for constitutional officers, regional jails and their employees, except those employees who are receiving a targeted increase at or above 7.5% in fiscal year 2023 shall receive a 2.5% increase on August 1, 2022, provided that the governing authority of such employees uses such funds to support these across-the-board salary increases;
- No funding or language is provided for a bonus for Constitutional Officers, Regional Jail Superintendents, Finance Directors and their Compensation Board funded employees in FY23 or FY24; however, funding and language is included to provide a one-time bonus of \$1,000 for state employees in FY23 on December 1, 2022;

- Additional funding of \$785,974 in FY23 and \$857,476 in FY24 is provided to support qualified and unfunded participation in each funded career development program as identified in the FY22 budget cycle (see office specific sections for details);
- Additional funding of \$170,813 in FY23 and \$409,952 in FY24 to support the cost of raising the minimum wage to \$12 per hour effective January 1, 2023;
- Additional funding of \$34,079 in each year of the biennium to support the increased salaries of Warren County Constitutional Officers that were adjusted on July 1, 2021 based on exceeding a population threshold of 40,000;
- No performance based increases are included for constitutional officers and their employees or for state employees in either year of the biennium;
- No funding is provided to support additional positions due based on staffing standards, however, funding and language is provided to support re-funding of unfunded positions in Commissioners' offices (see office specific section for details);

Sheriffs and Regional Jails

- Additional funding is provided to support increasing the entry-level salary of sworn deputy sheriffs and regional jail officers to \$42,000 (including increases to the new minimum for positions currently budgeted below that level), effective August 1, 2022;
- Additional funding is provided to support salary compression increases for sworn deputy sheriffs and regional jail officers of \$100 per year of service for incumbents that have served in a Compensation Board funded position for a minimum of three years of service, up to a maximum of thirty years of service, effective August 1, 2022;
- Additional funding to provide 125 new behavioral health case manager positions across every local and regional jail in the Commonwealth, as well as 127 partially-funded medical and treatment positions in each year to be allocated according to Compensation Board staffing standards, effective August 1, 2022;
- A language amendment is included in HB30 to provide clarification regarding the responsibility and authority of sheriffs in ordering sheriffs' deputies for courtroom security;

Jails

- Funding of \$4,633,444 in FY23 and \$7,020,908 in FY24 and language is provided to increase the per diem for every state-responsible inmate housed in a local or regional jail, which is currently \$12 per day, by an additional \$3 per day, for a daily rate of \$15 per day for every state-responsible inmate housed in a local or regional jail on or after July 1, 2022. This rate change will impact per diem payments beginning with the second quarter payment in FY23 for inmates housed in July and August, 2022;
- Funding of \$500,000 in each year and language is provided that expands the federal overhead recovery exemption for the Western Tidewater Regional Jail from the current partial exemption of the first 76 federal inmates per day to include any number of federal inmates per day above 130, which limits the federal overhead recovery to apply to a maximum of 54 federal inmates per day;
- A base funding reduction of \$10.9 million in FY23 and \$10.5 million in FY24 was included in the introduced Budget Bill based upon revised local- and state-responsible inmate population forecasts and anticipated costs in the next biennium.

Commonwealth's Attorneys

- Additional funding of \$260,977 in FY22 and \$284,666 in FY24 to support additional participation in the Career Prosecutor Program based on qualified and unfunded additional participation identified in FY22 Budget request submissions;
- Technical reduction of one-time funding in the amount of \$250,000 that is provided in FY22 for the Commonwealth's Attorneys' workload time study that is currently underway.

Circuit Court Clerks

- Additional funding of \$1,287,189 in FY23 and \$1,544,627 in FY24 to provide a \$1,250 salary increase to all Circuit Court Clerks and their Compensation Board funded employees effective August 1, 2022;
- Additional \$978,476 in general fund support for Clerks' operating budgets in each year of the biennium and elimination of the existing language that authorized the transfer of non-general technology trust funds to offset prior budget reductions;
- Additional funding of \$24,428 in FY23 and \$26,649 in FY24 to support additional participation in the Clerks' Career Development Program based on qualified and unfunded additional participation identified in FY22 Budget request submissions;

- Additional funding of \$313,710 in FY23 and \$342,229 in FY24 to support additional participation in the Deputy Clerks' Career Development Program based on qualified and unfunded additional participation identified in FY22 Budget request submissions.

Treasurers

- Additional funding of \$165,667 in FY23 and \$180,728 in FY24 to restore state support for 100% of underfunded positions allocated to Treasurers offices that were previously reduced due to budget reductions;
- Additional funding of \$57,212 in FY23 and \$62,413 in FY24 to support additional participation in the Treasurers' Career Development Program based on qualified and unfunded additional participation identified in FY22 Budget request submissions;
- Additional funding of \$26,008 in FY23 and \$28,372 in FY24 to support additional participation in the Deputy Treasurers' Career Development Program based on qualified and unfunded additional participation identified in FY22 Budget request submissions.

Finance Directors

- No program specific changes were included in the Conference Report or in the Governor's Budget Bill recommendations.

Commissioners of Revenue

- Additional funding of \$673,767 in FY23 and \$735,018 in FY24 to restore state support for 33% of unfunded positions allocated to Commissioners offices that were previously defunded due to budget reductions;
- Additional funding of \$21,227 in FY23 and \$23,157 in FY24 to support additional participation in the Commissioners' Career Development Program based on qualified and unfunded additional participation identified in FY22 Budget request submissions;
- Additional funding of \$82,445 in FY23 and \$89,940 in FY24 to support additional participation in the Deputy Commissioner's Career Development Program based on qualified and unfunded additional participation identified in FY22 Budget request submissions.

Administration

- Language is included to adjust the position count table by increasing the Sheriffs' position count by 220 positions, including 125 behavioral health positions and a technical update of 95 positions associated with allocations from the prior biennium, and 127 partially-funded medical treatment positions in each year.
- Funding of \$22,822 in each year of the biennium is recommended to cover the administrative cost of securing disaster recovery services through VITA.

Conference amendments to the budget are anticipated to be approved by the House and Senate on Wednesday, June 1, 2022, and will then be referred to the Governor. Once referred, they may be subject to further review or change if reconsidered in conjunction with any recommendations and/or amendments by the Governor prior to the General Assembly adjourning.

Please email [Robyn M. de Socio](#) if you have any questions regarding any of these amendment items.

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