

Judicial and Corrections
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	Page #	Analyst	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee Recommended FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
General Fund									
Division of Criminal Justice	173	BP	57,456,126	60,452,480	62,775,856	67,033,743	67,033,743	67,126,243	92,500
Department of Correction	175	RP	727,319,960	767,642,757	776,823,929	767,303,332	783,949,332	788,069,332	4,120,000
Judicial Department	178	RP	590,402,556	626,375,356	640,732,041	645,216,309	660,558,556	665,237,986	4,679,430
Public Defender Services Commission	183	BP	84,818,673	90,885,139	98,663,606	104,223,734	104,223,734	104,223,734	-
Total - General Fund			1,459,997,315	1,545,355,732	1,578,995,432	1,583,777,118	1,615,765,365	1,624,657,295	8,891,930
Banking Fund									
Judicial Department	178	RP	2,040,196	2,014,450	2,158,656	2,158,656	2,158,656	2,158,656	-
Workers' Compensation Fund									
Division of Criminal Justice	173	BP	836,159	765,185	776,571	974,771	974,771	974,771	-
Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund									
Judicial Department	178	RP	1,793,846	2,088,296	2,934,088	2,934,088	2,934,088	2,934,088	-
Total - Appropriated Funds			1,464,667,516	1,550,223,663	1,584,864,747	1,589,844,633	1,621,832,880	1,630,724,810	8,891,930

Division of Criminal Justice

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Permanent Full-Time Positions

Fund	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
General Fund	501	501	511	521	521	521	-
Workers' Compensation Fund	4	4	4	4	4	4	-

Budget Summary

Account	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
Personal Services	48,831,986	52,280,254	53,961,166	58,219,053	58,219,053	58,219,053	-
Other Expenses	5,101,696	4,471,910	5,102,201	5,102,201	5,002,201	5,002,201	-
Other Current Expenses							
Witness Protection	256,183	315,068	200,000	200,000	300,000	300,000	-
Training And Education	100,887	137,641	147,398	147,398	147,398	147,398	-
Expert Witnesses	124,433	140,413	135,413	135,413	135,413	135,413	-
Medicaid Fraud Control	1,418,531	1,484,810	1,509,942	1,509,942	1,509,942	1,602,442	92,500
Criminal Justice Commission	-	-	409	409	409	409	-
Cold Case Unit	276,393	280,321	292,041	292,041	292,041	292,041	-
Shooting Taskforce	1,346,017	1,333,678	1,427,286	1,427,286	1,427,286	1,427,286	-
Other Than Payments to Local Governments							
16295	-	8,385	-	-	-	-	-
Agency Total - General Fund	57,456,126	60,452,480	62,775,856	67,033,743	67,033,743	67,126,243	92,500
Personal Services	447,295	435,198	425,847	474,947	474,947	474,947	-
Other Expenses	8,230	7,824	10,428	10,428	10,428	10,428	-
Fringe Benefits	380,634	322,163	340,296	489,396	489,396	489,396	-
Agency Total - Workers' Compensation Fund	836,159	765,185	776,571	974,771	974,771	974,771	-
Total - Appropriated Funds	58,292,285	61,217,665	63,552,427	68,008,514	68,008,514	68,101,014	92,500

Account	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
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Policy Revisions

Provide Funding for a Medicaid Fraud Control Unit Nurse Investigator

Medicaid Fraud Control	-	92,500	92,500
Total - General Fund	-	92,500	92,500

Background

The Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU) conducts a statewide program for investigating and prosecuting violations of all applicable state laws pertaining to fraud in the administration of the Medicaid program, the provision of medical assistance, or the activities of providers of medical assistance under the state Medicaid plan. The MFCU receives a reimbursement of 75% of its expenses from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under a grant award.

Committee

Provide funding of \$92,500 to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit to hire one Nurse Investigator to review and evaluate abuse and/or neglect allegations and support other staff with knowledge of medical terminology, medical procedures, expected standards of care, and differing responsibilities of health care providers.

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Current Services

Transfer Funding for Witness Protection

Other Expenses	(100,000)	(100,000)	-
Witness Protection	100,000	100,000	-
Total - General Fund	-	-	-

Governor

Transfer funding of \$100,000 in FY 27 from Other Expenses to Witness Protection to reflect actual expenditures.

Committee

Same as Governor

Totals

Budget Components	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	67,033,743	67,033,743	-
Policy Revisions	-	92,500	92,500
Current Services	-	-	-
Total Recommended - GF	67,033,743	67,126,243	92,500
Original Appropriation - WF	974,771	974,771	-
Total Recommended - WF	974,771	974,771	-

Positions	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	521	521	-
Total Recommended - GF	521	521	-
Original Appropriation - WF	4	4	-
Total Recommended - WF	4	4	-

Department of Correction

DOC88000

Permanent Full-Time Positions

Fund	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
General Fund	5,966	5,966	5,966	5,966	5,982	6,479	497

Budget Summary

Account	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
Personal Services	448,242,504	470,495,686	474,144,513	470,144,513	474,390,513	476,390,513	2,000,000
Other Expenses	89,172,425	94,334,496	97,190,312	89,528,616	99,528,616	99,528,616	-
Other Current Expenses							
Stress Management	4,685	81,588	10,000	-	-	-	-
Inmate Medical Services	139,908,878	151,269,740	151,629,165	150,129,165	152,529,165	154,329,165	1,800,000
Board of Pardons and Paroles	5,805,266	6,412,743	6,572,490	6,822,490	6,822,490	7,022,490	200,000
STRIDE	-	160,128	80,181	80,181	80,181	80,181	-
HITEC	-	-	620,645	644,174	644,174	764,174	120,000
Other Than Payments to Local Governments							
Aid to Paroled and Discharged Inmates	150	-	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	-
Legal Services To Prisoners	796,999	784,000	797,000	797,000	797,000	797,000	-
Volunteer Services	56,445	58,340	87,725	87,725	87,725	87,725	-
Community Support Services	43,332,608	44,046,036	45,688,898	47,566,468	47,566,468	47,566,468	-
Reentry Centers	-	-	-	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	-
Agency Total - General Fund	727,319,960	767,642,757	776,823,929	767,303,332	783,949,332	788,069,332	4,120,000

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Policy Revisions

Provide Funding for Additional Medical and Mental Health Staff

Inmate Medical Services	-	2,000,000	2,000,000
Total - General Fund	-	2,000,000	2,000,000
Positions - General Fund	-	20	20

Committee

Provide funding of \$2 million and 20 positions in FY 27 to support 10 additional Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) and 10 additional Licensed Clinical Social Workers (LCSWs).

Provide Funds for a Health Services Innovation Pilot

Other Expenses	1,000,000	1,000,000	-
Total - General Fund	1,000,000	1,000,000	-

Governor

Provide funding of \$1,000,000 in FY 27 to conduct a Health Services Innovation Pilot study.

Committee

Same as Governor

Account	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
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Provide Funding to Support Expanded Parole Eligibility

Board of Pardons and Paroles	-	200,000	200,000
Total - General Fund	-	200,000	200,000
Positions - General Fund	-	2	2

Committee

Provide funding of \$200,000 and two positions in FY 27 to support expanded parole eligibility.

Provide Funding for the Health Improvement Through Employee Control (HITEC) Program

HITEC	-	120,000	120,000
Total - General Fund	-	120,000	120,000

Background

The Health Improvement Through Employee Control (HITEC) program within the University of Connecticut Healthcare Center, which is funded by DOC through an MOU, assists correction officers with their mental health, stress reduction, sleep hygiene, and officer mentoring.

Committee

Provide funding of \$120,000 in FY 27 to support the HITEC program.

Remove Funding for a Deputy Commissioner Position to Oversee Inmate Medical Services

Inmate Medical Services	200,000	-	(200,000)
Total - General Fund	200,000	-	(200,000)
Positions - General Fund	1	-	(1)

Governor

Provide funding of \$200,000 and one position in FY 27 for a Deputy Commissioner position to oversee inmate medical services.

Committee

Remove funding of \$200,000 and one position in FY 27 for a Deputy Commissioner position to oversee inmate medical services.

Change Authorized Position Count to Reflect Vacancies

Personal Services	-	-	-
Total - General Fund	-	-	-
Positions - General Fund	-	476	476

Background

In 2018, inmate medical services moved from UConn Health to the Department of Correction (DOC). During this transition, DOC's authorized position count was not adjusted.

In March 2026, DOC reported to have 5,810 filled positions and 632 vacancies, requiring a total authorized position count of 6,442, an increase of 476 from the FY 26 authorized count.

Committee

Provide 476 positions in FY 27 to reflect the department's vacancies.

Current Services

Adjust Funding to Reflect Current Requirements

Personal Services	3,000,000	5,000,000	2,000,000
Other Expenses	9,000,000	9,000,000	-
Inmate Medical Services	2,200,000	2,200,000	-
Total - General Fund	14,200,000	16,200,000	2,000,000

Background

The department continues to see upward trends in costs for utilities, food, pharmaceutical and medical supplies, and other consumables, which drives the deficiencies in Inmate Medical Services and Other Expenses. The Personal Services deficiency is primarily due to overtime expenses trending 15% higher than the prior fiscal year over the same period.

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Governor

Provide \$14,200,000 in FY 27 to reflect current agency requirements.

Committee

Provide \$16,200,000 in FY 27 to reflect current agency requirements.

Provide Funding for Consolidated Appropriations Act Compliance

Personal Services	1,246,000	1,246,000	-
Total - General Fund	1,246,000	1,246,000	-
Positions - General Fund	15	15	-

Background

Effective 7/1/26, federal law (per the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023) requires states to provide targeted case management (TCM) and early and periodic screening, diagnostic, and treatment (EPSDT) to eligible juveniles within 30 days of their scheduled release from a carceral setting.

Governor

Provide funding of \$1,246,000 and 15 positions in FY 27 to reflect anticipated costs to comply with federal requirements to improve care coordination and physical and behavioral health outcomes for justice-involved youth.

Committee

Same as Governor

Totals

Budget Components	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	767,303,332	767,303,332	-
Policy Revisions	1,200,000	3,320,000	2,120,000
Current Services	15,446,000	17,446,000	2,000,000
Total Recommended - GF	783,949,332	788,069,332	4,120,000

Positions	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	5,966	5,966	-
Policy Revisions	1	498	497
Current Services	15	15	-
Total Recommended - GF	5,982	6,479	497

Judicial Department

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Permanent Full-Time Positions

Fund	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
General Fund	4,274	4,274	4,275	4,275	4,287	4,295	8
Banking Fund	10	10	10	10	10	10	-

Budget Summary

Account	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
Personal Services	373,122,455	390,479,710	382,169,128	385,678,706	400,682,958	403,506,289	2,823,331
Other Expenses	66,992,983	69,902,387	77,181,188	74,997,164	74,580,091	75,355,354	775,263
Other Current Expenses							
Forensic Sex Evidence Exams	1,085,879	1,158,782	1,348,010	1,348,010	1,348,010	1,348,010	-
Alternative Incarceration Program	57,429,082	59,300,353	69,020,018	70,000,000	73,240,000	73,990,000	750,000
Justice Education Center, Inc.	503,435	503,435	528,343	516,287	516,287	516,287	-
Juvenile Alternative Incarceration	31,137,932	31,419,639	35,476,932	35,768,876	34,518,876	34,518,876	-
Probate Court	81,024	13,281,024	3,634,932	3,634,932	-	455,812	455,812
Workers' Compensation Claims	5,666,048	5,601,726	5,692,106	6,042,106	6,042,106	6,042,106	-
Victim Security Account	-	-	8,792	8,792	8,792	8,792	-
Children of Incarcerated Parents	529,174	529,174	555,356	542,683	542,683	792,683	250,000
Legal Aid	1,390,597	1,397,144	3,547,144	4,397,144	4,297,144	4,397,144	100,000
Youth Violence Initiative	4,705,803	5,541,103	5,695,998	5,592,428	5,592,428	5,592,428	-
Youth Services Prevention	6,571,854	7,655,524	7,894,425	8,293,132	8,293,132	8,033,132	(260,000)
Children's Law Center	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	200,000	50,000
Project Longevity	4,424,373	4,774,372	4,335,591	4,221,255	4,221,255	3,471,255	(750,000)
Juvenile Planning	775,000	775,000	945,000	945,000	945,000	945,000	-
Juvenile Justice Outreach Services	26,223,432	24,222,415	27,594,127	27,945,080	27,945,080	27,945,080	-
Board and Care for Children - Short-term and Residential	8,107,103	8,183,568	12,767,582	12,953,332	12,953,332	12,953,332	-
LGBTQ Justice and Opportunity Network	256,382	250,000	262,369	256,382	256,382	256,382	-
Counsel for Domestic Violence	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	-
Outreach Services for Norwich	-	-	675,000	675,000	675,000	675,000	-
Services for Child and Adult Victims	-	-	-	-	2,500,000	2,855,000	355,000
Other Than Payments to Local Governments							
Various Grants	-	-	-	-	-	130,024	130,024
Agency Total - General Fund	590,402,556	626,375,356	640,732,041	645,216,309	660,558,556	665,237,986	4,679,430
Foreclosure Mediation Program	2,040,196	2,014,450	2,158,656	2,158,656	2,158,656	2,158,656	-
Agency Total - Banking Fund	2,040,196	2,014,450	2,158,656	2,158,656	2,158,656	2,158,656	-
Criminal Injuries Compensation	1,793,846	2,088,296	2,934,088	2,934,088	2,934,088	2,934,088	-
Agency Total - Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund	1,793,846	2,088,296	2,934,088	2,934,088	2,934,088	2,934,088	-
Total - Appropriated Funds	594,236,598	630,478,102	645,824,785	650,309,053	665,651,300	670,330,730	4,679,430

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Policy Revisions

Eliminate Probate Court Administration Fund Subsidy

Probate Court	(3,634,932)	(3,634,932)	-
Total - General Fund	(3,634,932)	(3,634,932)	-

Governor

Reduce funding of \$3,634,932 in FY 27 to eliminate the General Fund subsidy to the Probate Court Administration.

Committee

Same as Governor

Provide Funding for Salary Increases for Judges, Constitutional Officers, and Workers' Compensation Commissioners

Personal Services	-	2,192,287	2,192,287
Probate Court	-	455,812	455,812
Total - General Fund	-	2,648,099	2,648,099

Committee

Provide funding of \$2,648,099 in FY 27 to reflect a 4.35% increase in the salaries of judges, constitutional officers, and workers' compensation commissioners.

Provide Funding for Additional Contracts Specialists

Personal Services	-	346,044	346,044
Other Expenses	-	28,263	28,263
Total - General Fund	-	374,307	374,307
Positions - General Fund	-	5	5

Committee

Provide funding of \$374,307 and five positions in FY 27 for five additional contracts specialists.

Provide Funding to Support Expanded Parole Eligibility

Personal Services	-	200,000	200,000
Other Expenses	-	100,000	100,000
Total - General Fund	-	300,000	300,000
Positions - General Fund	-	2	2

Committee

Provide funding of \$300,000 and two positions in FY 27 for additional staff and forensic evaluations for pre-sentence investigations to support expanded parole eligibility.

Provide Funding to Increase Guardian Ad Litem Compensation

Other Expenses	-	250,000	250,000
Total - General Fund	-	250,000	250,000

Background

The current hourly compensation for Guardians Ad Litem through the Judicial Department is \$25 and through the Public Defender Services Commission is \$98.

Committee

Provide funding of \$250,000 in FY 27 to ensure that Guardian Ad Litem (GAL) compensation paid by the Judicial Department is on parity with such compensation paid by the Public Defender Services Commission.

Provide Funding for the Children of Incarcerated Parents

Children of Incarcerated Parents	-	250,000	250,000
Total - General Fund	-	250,000	250,000

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Committee

Provide funding of \$250,000 in FY 27 for the Children of Incarcerated Parents Initiative within the Institute for Municipal and Regional Policy (IMRP) at the University of Connecticut (UConn).

Provide Funding for Youth Services Prevention

Youth Services Prevention	-	150,000	150,000
Total - General Fund	-	150,000	150,000

Committee

Provide funding of \$150,000 in FY 27 for various grants.

Provide Funding for a Victim Services Advocate in New London

Personal Services	-	85,000	85,000
Total - General Fund	-	85,000	85,000
Positions - General Fund	-	1	1

Committee

Provide funding of \$85,000 and one position in FY 27 to support an additional Victim Services Advocate in New London.

Provide Funding for Catalyst CT - Juvenile Court Mediation

Various Grants	-	130,024	130,024
Total - General Fund	-	130,024	130,024

Committee

Provide funding of \$130,024 for Catalyst CT - Juvenile Court Mediation.

Maintain Legislative Grants

Other Expenses	(397,000)	-	397,000
Legal Aid	(100,000)	-	100,000
Total - General Fund	(497,000)	-	497,000

Governor

Reduce the Other Expenses account by \$397,000 and the Legal Aid account by \$100,000 in FY 27 to reflect a reduction to legislative grants.

Committee

Maintain funding for legislative grants.

Transfer Certain Grants

Other Expenses	(1,250,000)	(1,250,000)	-
Juvenile Alternative Incarceration	(1,250,000)	(1,250,000)	-
Youth Services Prevention	-	(410,000)	(410,000)
Services for Child and Adult Victims	2,500,000	2,855,000	355,000
Total - General Fund	-	(55,000)	(55,000)

Background

The FY 26 and FY 27 Budget provided \$1,250,000 in FY 27 to the Connecticut Children's Alliance in the Juvenile Alternative Incarceration account and \$1,250,000 in FY 27 to the CT Alliance to End Sexual Violence in the Other Expenses account.

Governor

Transfer funding of \$1,250,000 from Other Expenses and \$1,250,000 from Juvenile Alternative Incarceration to the Services for Child and Adult Victims account in FY 27.

Committee

Transfer funding of \$1,250,000 from Other Expenses, \$1,250,000 from Juvenile Alternative Incarceration, and \$355,000 from Youth Services Prevention to Various Grants in FY 27. Transfer \$55,000 from Youth Services Prevention to the Department of Economic and Community Development in FY 27.

Provide Funding to the Children's Law Center

Children's Law Center	-	50,000	50,000
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Account	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Total - General Fund	-	50,000	50,000

Committee

Provide funding of \$50,000 in FY 27 for the Children's Law Center.

Transfer Funding to Expand Residential Facilities for Women and Girls

Alternative Incarceration Program	-	750,000	750,000
Project Longevity	-	(750,000)	(750,000)
Total - General Fund	-	-	-

Committee

Transfer \$750,000 from Project Longevity to Alternative Incarceration Program in FY 27 to support additional beds in residential facilities for women and girls discharged from correctional facilities.

Suspend Probate Court Administration Fund Sweep**Background**

Subsection (j) of CGS 45a-82 allows the Probate Court Administration Fund (PCAF) to retain 20% of the projected operating cost for the next fiscal year. The remainder is swept into the General Fund at the end of each fiscal year.

Committee

Suspend the Probate Court Administration Fund Sweep at the end of FY 26.

Provide Funding for Kinship and Respite Fund**Committee**

Provide funding of \$2 million to the Kinship and Respite Fund in FY 27 through the suspension of the statutory sweep of the Probate Court Administration Fund.

Current Services**Adjust Funding to Reflect Current Requirements**

Personal Services	13,976,310	13,976,310	-
Other Expenses	1,829,927	1,829,927	-
Total - General Fund	15,806,237	15,806,237	-

Background

The Personal Services amount reflects the annualized cost of existing wage agreements. The Other Expenses increase includes \$1,027,942 for property management costs and \$574,202 for electricity costs.

Governor

Provide funding of \$15,806,237 in FY 27 to reflect current requirements.

Committee

Same as Governor

Transfer Funding Related to the Substance Use Disorder Waiver

Alternative Incarceration Program	2,640,000	2,640,000	-
Total - General Fund	2,640,000	2,640,000	-

Background

Funding of \$15,025,000 is transferred from the Department of Social Services to the Departments of Children and Families, Mental Health and Addiction Services, and the Judicial Department to reflect program supports in the appropriate agency. FY 26 funding is transferred from DSS to meet program requirements via interagency agreements.

Governor

Provide funding of \$2,640,000 in FY 27 to meet program requirements related to the Substance Use Disorder Waiver.

Committee

Same as Governor

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Provide Funding for Consolidated Appropriations Act Compliance

Personal Services	1,027,942	1,027,942	-
Total - General Fund	1,027,942	1,027,942	-
Positions - General Fund	12	12	-

Background

Effective 7/1/26, federal law (per the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023) requires states to provide targeted case management (TCM) and early and periodic screening, diagnostic, and treatment (EPSDT) to eligible juveniles within 30 days of their scheduled release from a carceral setting.

Governor

Provide funding of \$1,027,942 and 12 position in FY 27 to reflect anticipated costs to comply with federal requirements to improve care coordination and physical and behavioral health outcomes for justice-involved youth.

Committee

Same as Governor

Reallocate EMERGE CT Funding to Correct Account

Other Expenses	(600,000)	(600,000)	-
Alternative Incarceration Program	600,000	600,000	-
Total - General Fund	-	-	-

Background

EMERGE CT is a construction training program with locations in New Haven and Bridgeport that supports formerly incarcerated individuals.

Governor

Transfer funding of \$600,000 from the Other Expenses account to Alternative Incarceration Program account in FY 27.

Committee

Same as Governor

Totals

Budget Components	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	645,216,309	645,216,309	-
Policy Revisions	(4,131,932)	547,498	4,679,430
Current Services	19,474,179	19,474,179	-
Total Recommended - GF	660,558,556	665,237,986	4,679,430
Original Appropriation - BF	2,158,656	2,158,656	-
Total Recommended - BF	2,158,656	2,158,656	-
Original Appropriation - CIF	2,934,088	2,934,088	-
Total Recommended - CIF	2,934,088	2,934,088	-

Positions	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	4,275	4,275	-
Policy Revisions	-	8	8
Current Services	12	12	-
Total Recommended - GF	4,287	4,295	8
Original Appropriation - BF	10	10	-
Total Recommended - BF	10	10	-

Public Defender Services Commission
PDS98500

Permanent Full-Time Positions

Fund	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
General Fund	451	451	504	506	506	506	-

Budget Summary

Account	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
Personal Services	49,247,719	53,308,039	57,256,969	58,383,519	58,383,519	58,383,519	-
Other Expenses	1,561,619	1,616,948	1,565,163	1,589,903	1,589,903	1,589,903	-
Other Current Expenses							
Assigned Counsel - Criminal	31,313,988	33,064,814	36,946,122	41,354,960	41,008,344	41,008,344	-
Expert Witnesses	2,575,600	2,775,601	2,775,604	2,775,604	3,122,220	3,122,220	-
Training And Education	119,747	119,737	119,748	119,748	119,748	119,748	-
Agency Total - General Fund	84,818,673	90,885,139	98,663,606	104,223,734	104,223,734	104,223,734	-

Account	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
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Current Services

Transfer Funding to Support Expert Witnesses

Assigned Counsel - Criminal	(346,616)	(346,616)	-
Expert Witnesses	346,616	346,616	-
Total - General Fund	-	-	-

Background

The Public Defender Services Commission (PDS) bases its eligibility thresholds to receive services on the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). Section 201 of PA 23-204, the FY 24 and FY 25 Budget, raised this threshold to 250% of FPL for an individual to qualify for services. While increases were applied to various accounts to support this policy change, no funds were provided to the Expert Witnesses account.

Governor

Transfer funding of \$346,616 from Assigned Counsel to Expert Witnesses in FY 27 to support the eligibility threshold increase.

Committee

Same as Governor

Totals

Budget Components	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	104,223,734	104,223,734	-
Current Services	-	-	-
Total Recommended - GF	104,223,734	104,223,734	-

Positions	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	506	506	-
Total Recommended - GF	506	506	-