Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection DPS32000

Permanent Full-Time Positions

Fund	Actual	Actual	Appropriation FY 25	Governor Re	commended	Legislative		
	FY 23	FY 24		FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27	
General Fund	1,557	1,461	1,461	1,463	1,463	1,466	1,466	
Cannabis Regulatory Fund	_	2	2	-	-	2	2	

Budget Summary

Account	Actual	Actual	Appropriation	Governor Rec	commended	Legislative		
Account	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27	
Personal Services	169,750,277	175,691,719	184,655,407	183,631,489	180,631,489	183,361,731	180,361,731	
Other Expenses	31,002,680	36,564,787	33,479,480	33,126,783	33,592,572	34,749,783	34,715,572	
Other Current Expenses								
Stress Reduction	-	130,320	-	-	-	-	-	
Fleet Purchase	6,902,509	7,063,650	7,736,272	7,449,099	7,782,053	7,449,099	7,782,053	
Criminal Justice Information								
System	4,258,643	4,967,691	4,990,355	4,763,320	4,763,320	4,763,320	4,763,320	
CRISIS	-	-	-	-	-	400,000	1,800,000	
Law Enforcement Training								
Partnerships	-	-	-	-	-	850,000	2,050,000	
Other Than Payments to Local Go	overnments							
Fire Training School -								
Willimantic	150,076	242,176	242,176	242,176	242,176	242,176	242,176	
Maintenance of County Base Fire								
Radio Network	19,528	19,528	19,528	19,528	19,528	19,528	19,528	
Maintenance of State-Wide Fire								
Radio Network	12,997	12,996	12,997	12,997	12,997	12,997	12,997	
Police Association of								
Connecticut	138,850	107,410	172,353	172,353	172,353	172,353	172,353	
Connecticut State Firefighter's								
Association	175,482	175,887	176,625	176,625	176,625	176,625	176,625	
Fire Training School - Torrington	81,367	172,267	172,267	172,267	172,267	172,267	172,267	
Fire Training School - New								
Haven	48,364	108,364		108,364	108,364	108,364	108,364	
Fire Training School - Derby	37,139	50,639		50,639	50,639	50,639	50,639	
Fire Training School - Wolcott	100,162	171,162		171,162	171,162	171,162	171,162	
Fire Training School - Fairfield	70,395	127,500	127,501	127,501	127,501	127,501	127,501	
Fire Training School - Hartford	169,336	176,836	176,836	176,836	176,836	176,836	176,836	
Fire Training School -								
Middletown	68,470	70,970	70,970	70,970	70,970	70,970	70,970	
Fire Training School - Stamford	55,432	75,540	75,541	75,541	75,541	75,541	75,541	
Grant Payments to Local Govern	ments							
Volunteer Firefighter Training	24,570	58,721	140,000	140,000	140,000	140,000	140,000	
Agency Total - General Fund	213,066,277	225,988,163	232,578,473	230,687,650	228,486,393	233,290,892	233,189,635	
Personal Services	-	157,028	1,109,758	-	-	509,758	509,758	
Other Expenses	-		124,000	-	-	124,000	124,000	
Agency Total - Cannabis								
Regulatory Fund	-	157,028		-	-	633,758	633,758	
Total - Appropriated Funds	213,066,277	226,145,191	233,812,231	230,687,650	228,486,393	233,924,650	233,823,393	

Account	Governor Re	commended	Legis	lative	Difference from Governor	
Account	FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27

Policy Revisions

Reduce Funding to Reflect Staffing and Duties Assessment

Personal Services	(3,000,000)	(6,000,000)	(3,000,000)	(6,000,000)	-	-
Total - General Fund	(3,000,000)	(6,000,000)	(3,000,000)	(6,000,000)	-	-

Governor

Reduce funding of \$3 million in FY 26 and \$6 million in FY 27 to reflect anticipated savings from a staffing and duties assessment.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Provide Funding for Social Work and Law Enforcement Project and Police Training Center

Law Enforcement Training						
Partnerships	_	-	850,000	2,050,000	850,000	2,050,000
Total - General Fund	-	-	850,000	2,050,000	850,000	2,050,000
Positions - General Fund	-	-	3	3	3	3

Background

Sections 137-138 of PA 25-168, the FY 26 and FY 27 Budget, require the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection to establish: (1) a social work and law enforcement project at Southern Connecticut State University (SCSU) and (2) a police training center at Central Connecticut State University (CCSU).

Funding of \$500,000 in FY 26 and \$1.7 million in FY 27 will be used to establish the social work and law enforcement project at SCSU and a police training center at CCSU. The Police Officer Standards and Training Council will require \$350,000 in both years to hire three additional staff to develop a training curriculum for police officers' interactions with persons who have mental illness or mental or physical disabilities.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$850,000 in FY 26, \$2.05 million in FY 27, and three positions in both years to establish a social work and law enforcement project at SCSU and establish a police training center at CCSU.

Maintain Funding for Volunteer Fire Companies on Limited Highways Program

Other Expenses	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)	-	-	1,500,000	1,500,000
Total - General Fund	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)	-	-	1,500,000	1,500,000

Background

Section 75 of PA 22-118 (as amended by PA 22-146), the FY 23 Revised Budget, requires the State Fire Administrator to reimburse volunteer fire companies for responding to calls on certain limited access highways.

Governor

Eliminate funding of \$1.5 million in FY 26 and FY 27 for reimbursements to volunteer fire companies responding to calls on certain limited access highways.

Legislative

Continue funding at current level.

Provide Funding to Expand the CRISIS Program

Other Expenses	_	-	(400,000)	(400,000)	(400,000)	(400,000)
CRISIS	-	-	400,000	1,800,000	400,000	1,800,000
Total - General Fund	-	-	-	1,400,000	-	1,400,000

Background

Currently, State Police Troops C and D each receive annual funding of \$200,000 to partially support the CRISIS Program. The funding supports a partnership with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) to provide dedicated clinical mental health staff at each troop for five days per week.

Account	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
Account	FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27

Legislative

Provide funding of \$400,000 in FY 26 and \$1.8 million in FY 27 to expand the CRISIS program to additional non-highway troops. Remove funding of \$400,000 in both FY 26 and FY 27 from Other Expenses to reflect the transfer of current CRISIS Program expenditures to the new CRISIS SID.

Maintain Cannabis Costs in the Cannabis Regulatory Fund

Personal Services	509,758	509,758	-	-	(509,758)	(509,758)
Other Expenses	124,000	124,000	-	-	(124,000)	(124,000)
Total - General Fund	633,758	633,758	-	-	(633,758)	(633,758)
Positions - General Fund	2	2	-	-	(2)	(2)
Personal Services	(509,758)	(509,758)	-	-	509,758	509,758
Other Expenses	(124,000)	(124,000)	-	-	124,000	124,000
Total - Cannabis Regulatory Fund	(633,758)	(633,758)	-	-	633,758	633,758
Positions - Cannabis Regulatory						
Fund	(2)	(2)	-	-	2	2

Background

PA 21-1, JSS, An Act Concerning Responsible and Equitable Regulation of Adult-Use Cannabis, legalized recreational cannabis use for adults 21 years of age or older. Recreational cannabis sales began in January 2023.

The Governor's Recommended Budget moves the Cannabis Regulatory Fund (CRF) and the Prevention and Recovery Services Fund (PRSF) expenditures to the General Fund (GF) and the Special Transportation Fund (STF). This affects 11 agencies, 94 positions, and an appropriation of \$12.8 million in FY 26 and FY 27 across the GF and the STF.

Governor

Transfer funding of \$633,758 and two positions in both FY 26 and FY 27 for cannabis regulation and enforcement duties from the Cannabis Regulatory Fund to the General Fund.

Legislative

Maintain funding of \$633,758 and two positions in both FY 26 and FY 27 in the Cannabis Regulatory Fund.

Provide Funding for Various Police and Fire Departments

Other Expenses	-	-	647,000	47,000	647,000	47,000
Total - General Fund	-	-	647,000	47,000	647,000	47,000

Legislative

Provide funding of \$647,000 in FY 26 and \$47,000 in FY 27 for various police and fire departments as follows:

- \$500,000 for the Bridgeport Police Department Drone Program in FY 26
- \$75,000 to Eastford Independent Fire Department in FY 26
- \$15,000 to East Windsor Police Department in FY 26
- \$47,000 to Meriden Fire Department in both FY 26 and FY 27
- \$10,000 to Meriden Police Department in FY 26

Provide Funding for Regional Police Forces

Personal Services	-	-	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,000
Total - General Fund	-	-	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,000
Positions - General Fund	-	-	2	2	2	2

Background

SB 1489, An Act Concerning Regional Police Forces, which did not pass, would have generally allowed two or more municipalities to form a regional police force upon receiving approval from the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$240,000 and two positions in both FY 26 and FY 27 for regional police forces.

Provide Funding for Virtual Simulation to Enhance P.E.P. Training

Other Expenses	-	-	-	100,000	-	100,000
Total - General Fund	-	-	-	100,000	-	100,000

Account	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
Account	FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27

Background

Platform, Efficiency and Proficiency (P.E.P.) training is used by law enforcement units to train officers to assess the risk of a situation and to respond to a resistant or combative subject with the appropriate level of force.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$100,000 in FY 27 for Virtual Simulation to Enhance P.E.P. Training for police.

Current Services

Annualize the Cost of Existing Wage Agreements

Personal Services	1,995,324	1,995,324	1,995,324	1,995,324	-	-
Criminal Justice Information System	22,965	22,965	22,965	22,965	-	-
Total - General Fund	2,018,289	2,018,289	2,018,289	2,018,289	-	-

Background

The Governor's Recommended Budget provides funding of \$124.4 million in FY 26 and FY 27, across nine appropriated funds, to reflect current wage-related adjustments resulting from existing wage agreements.

Governor

Provide funding of \$2,018,289 in both FY 26 and FY 27 to reflect this agency's increased wage costs.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Adjust Funding to Reflect Current Requirements

Personal Services	(529,000)	(529,000)	(529,000)	(529,000)	-	-
Other Expenses	(80,000)	(80,000)	(80,000)	(80,000)	-	-
Fleet Purchase	(500,000)	(500,000)	(500,000)	(500,000)	-	-
Criminal Justice Information System	(250,000)	(250,000)	(250,000)	(250,000)	-	-
Total - General Fund	(1,359,000)	(1,359,000)	(1,359,000)	(1,359,000)	-	-
Personal Services	(600,000)	(600,000)	(600,000)	(600,000)	-	-
Total - Cannabis Regulatory Fund	(600,000)	(600,000)	(600,000)	(600,000)	-	-

Governor

Reduce funding by \$1,959,000 in both FY 26 and FY 27 to reflect current agency requirements.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Provide Funding for State Forensic Science Laboratory Maintenance

Other Expenses	477,188	861,188	477,188	861,188	-	-
Total - General Fund	477,188	861,188	477,188	861,188	-	-

Governor

Provide funding of \$477,188 in FY 26 and \$861,188 in FY 27 to adjust for scheduled annual increases in the State Forensic Science Laboratory equipment maintenance and information technology contracts.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Provide Funding for Clean Slate System Upgrades

Other Expenses	563,460	580,364	563,460	580,364	-	-
Total - General Fund	563,460	580,364	563,460	580,364	-	-

Account	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
Account	FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27

Background

DESPP currently contracts with Idemia and pays annual maintenance fees to implement the Clean Slate System. These maintenance costs were previously paid from sources outside the General Fund. Future increases to these costs in the out years are expected to only include a 3% annual increase.

Governor

Provide funding of \$563,460 in FY 26 and \$580,364 in FY 27 to support annual maintenance costs for the Clean Slate system.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Provide Funding for Fleet Lease Obligations

Fleet Purchase	212,827	545,781	212,827	545,781	-	-
Total - General Fund	212,827	545,781	212,827	545,781	-	-

Governor

Provide funding of \$212,827 in FY 26 and \$545,781 in FY 27 to cover the costs of new fleet leases.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Provide Funding for Computerized Criminal History System Maintenance

Other Expenses	62,655	127,540	62,655	127,540	-	-
Total - General Fund	62,655	127,540	62,655	127,540	-	-

Governor

Provide funding of \$62,665 in FY 26 and \$127,540 in FY 27 to adjust for scheduled annual increases in the Computerized Criminal History System maintenance contracts.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Totals

Product Company	Governor Reco	Governor Recommended		lative	Difference from Governor	
Budget Components	FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27
FY 25 Appropriation - GF	232,578,473	232,578,473	232,578,473	232,578,473	-	-
Policy Revisions	(3,866,242)	(6,866,242)	(1,263,000)	(2,163,000)	2,603,242	4,703,242
Current Services	1,975,419	2,774,162	1,975,419	2,774,162	-	-
Total Recommended - GF	230,687,650	228,486,393	233,290,892	233,189,635	2,603,242	4,703,242
FY 25 Appropriation - CRF	1,233,758	1,233,758	1,233,758	1,233,758	-	-
Policy Revisions	(633,758)	(633,758)	-	-	633,758	633,758
Current Services	(600,000)	(600,000)	(600,000)	(600,000)	-	-
Total Recommended - CRF	-	-	633,758	633,758	633,758	633,758

Positions	Governor Recommended		Legis	lative	Difference from Governor	
rositions	FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27
FY 25 Appropriation - GF	1,461	1,461	1,461	1,461	-	-
Policy Revisions	2	2	5	5	3	3
Total Recommended - GF	1,463	1,463	1,466	1,466	3	3
FY 25 Appropriation - CRF	2	2	2	2	_	-
Policy Revisions	(2)	(2)	-	-	2	2
Total Recommended - CRF	-	-	2	2	2	2