State of Alaska FY2002 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Law
Criminal Justice Litigation
Component

Component: Criminal Justice Litigation

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Component Mission

Mission statement appears at the department summary and BRU levels.

Component Services Provided

- (A) This section provides basic legal services to the Department of Corrections and the Department of Public Safety, consisting of verbal and written advice, representation in civil litigation and administrative proceedings, and assistance with drafting legislation, regulations, policies, and procedures. Services are provided to the Department of Public Safety (State Troopers, State Trooper Academy, Fire Prevention, Fish and Wildlife Protection, Administrative Services, Alaska Police Standards Council, Violent Crimes Compensation Board, and the Statewide Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory) and the Department of Corrections (Institutions, Prison Programs, Probation Services, Corrections Academy and Parole Board). This section also provides assistance to the Departments of Corrections and Health and Social Services on special projects related to prison capacity and juvenile justice.
- (B) This section handles all administrative appeals of driver license revocations by the Division of Motor Vehicles in the Department of Administration.
 - (C) This section advises the governor and the legislature on criminal justice legislation.
- (D) This section provides overall administration of the BRU and sets policy for all offices in the BRU by monitoring and approving budgetary expenditures, setting uniform prosecution policies, maintaining a case management system, and being responsible for personnel matters.
 - (E) The services are delivered by three attorneys located in Anchorage and four attorneys in Juneau.

Component Goals and Strategies

The goal of the Criminal Justice Litigation and Legal Services section is to support the departments of Corrections and Public Safety by providing day-to-day legal advice, and to provide administrative and policy direction to all state prosecution offices. An additional goal is to maintain an effective criminal justice system by assisting the administration and the legislature in reviewing and enacting effective criminal justice legislation.

Key Component Issues for FY2001 – 2002

Key Issues are included at the BRU level.

Major Component Accomplishments for FY2000

Objective 1: Uphold the administrative decisions of the state's prison system by defending the state against prisoner lawsuits in state and federal courts.

Number of prisoner lawsuits defended: 70

Objective 2: Uphold the administrative revocation of driver licenses by the Division of Motor Vehicles by opposing requests for stays of revocations and handling appeals of those revocations.

Number of license revocation cases handled: 50

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Statutory and Regulatory Authority

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Component Financial Summary

All dollars in thousands

	FY2000 Actuals	FY2001 Authorized	FY2002 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	1,134.9	1,200.0	1,298.4
72000 Travel	95.9	130.9	102.6
73000 Contractual	226.9	553.6	370.7
74000 Supplies	71.6	16.5	47.1
75000 Equipment	10.7	0.0	0.0
76000 Land/Buildings	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Claims	1.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	1,541.0	1,901.0	1,818.8
Funding Sources:			
1004 General Fund Receipts	1,201.5	1,721.0	1,612.0
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts	339.5	169.1	206.8
1053 Investment Loss Trust Fund	0.0	7.9	0.0
1108 Statutory Designated Program Receipts	0.0	3.0	0.0
Funding Totals	1,541.0	1,901.0	1,818.8

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2000 Actuals	FY2001 Authorized	FY2001 Cash Estimate	FY2002 Governor	FY2003 Forecast
Unrestricted Revenues						
Unrestricted Fund	68515	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Total		2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Restricted Revenues						
Interagency Receipts	51015	339.5	169.1	334.2	206.8	206.8
Statutory Designated Program Receipts	51063	0.0	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Investment Loss Trust Fund	51393	0.0	7.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
Restricted Total		339.5	180.0	334.2	206.8	206.8
Total Estimated Revenues		341.6	180.0	334.2	206.8	206.8

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Proposed Changes in Levels of Service for FY2002

No changes are requested for FY2002.

Summary of Component Budget Changes From FY2001 Authorized to FY2002 Governor

All dollars in thousands

	General Funds	Federal Funds	Other Funds	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2001 Authorized	1,728.9	0.0	172.1	1,901.0
Adjustments which will continue				
current level of service:				
-Convert Special FY2001 Labor Cost Fund Sources to GF	3.0	0.0	-3.0	0.0
-To Third Judicial Anchorage - Partially fund PCN 1249 Drug/Alcohol Prosecutor	-42.3	0.0	0.0	-42.3
-To First Judicial - Reduce Vacancy Factor	-19.9	0.0	0.0	-19.9
-Year 2 Labor Costs - Net Change from FY 2001	-9.9	0.0	-1.5	-11.4
-Reduce Funding - Medical Procedures Carryforward , CH 2 FSSLA 99 Sec 55	-165.3	0.0	0.0	-165.3
Proposed budget increases:				
-Victim Witness Notification and Support	117.5	0.0	39.2	156.7
FY2002 Governor	1,612.0	0.0	206.8	1,818.8

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Personal Services Information

Authorized Positions		Personal Services	Costs	
	FY2001	FY2002		
	<u>Authorized</u>	<u>Governor</u>	Annual Salaries	1,017,777
Full-time	17	17	COLA	21,556
Part-time	0	0	Premium Pay	0
Nonpermanent	0	1	Annual Benefits	295,923
			Less 2.76% Vacancy Factor	(36,856)
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	0
Totals	17	18	Total Personal Services	1,298,400

Position Classification Summary

Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
Administrative Clerk II	0	0	1	0	1
Administrative Clerk III	0	0	1	0	1
Assoc Attorney I	1	0	0	0	1
Assoc Attorney II	0	0	4	0	4
Attorney IV	1	0	1	0	2
Attorney V	1	0	2	0	3
Attorney VI	0	0	1	0	1
Dep Attorney General	1	0	0	0	1
Legal Secretary I	2	0	1	0	3
Legal Secretary II	0	0	1	0	1
Totals	6	0	12	0	18