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JUDICIAL BRANCH

The May Revision includes an increase of \$36.6 million General Fund for Trial Court security needs based on the recommendations of the Court Security Working Group. This proposal reflects a comprehensive court security funding plan agreed upon by the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) and sheriffs to address court security issues. This increase will provide funding for security personnel to stand guard in courtrooms, monitor screening stations, and transport prisoners within court facilities. Finally, the May Revision proposes to establish a separate appropriation in the budget for court security and to adopt related cost-containment policies recommended by sheriffs and the AOC.

OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY

The May Revision proposes \$177.6 million transportation bond funds, as approved by Proposition 1B, to establish two homeland security grant programs:

- \$76.1 million for the Port Security Grant Program to be allocated to various ports in California to purchase security equipment in order to prevent and respond to acts of terrorism.

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- \$101.5 million for the Transit Security Grant Program to be allocated to various mass transit systems to purchase security equipment, lighting, and other security improvements in order to prevent and respond to acts of terrorism.

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

The May Revision proposes \$7.4 million General Fund and \$8.9 million other funds for various programs for the Office of Emergency Services (OES), which include:

- \$4.9 million in federal funds to establish four new federal anti-gang grants as part of a six-city gang suppression effort.
- \$4 million Restitution Fund to augment four Internet Crimes Against Children Task Forces, one each in Sacramento, San Jose, San Diego, and Los Angeles. This funding will enhance the investigative response to offenders who use the internet to sexually exploit children.
- \$446,000 General Fund to establish and support a State Anti-Gang Coordinator position in the OES. This position will coordinate anti-gang programs at all state agencies, track all federal anti-gang funding and grants, and collect, evaluate, and promote anti-gang effort best practices.
- \$7 million General Fund for local anti-gang programs. The Coordinator will administer this grant program and allocate funding to eligible local governments on a competitive basis to be used for local anti-gang suppression, intervention, and prevention programs.

PROPOSED ANTI-GANG PROGRAM FUNDING SOURCE

The May Revision proposes funding various anti-gang programs by increasing the state surcharge levied on the base fine used to calculate the state penalty assessment from 20 percent to 40 percent. In addition, it is proposed that the responsibility of collecting fines, fees, and penalties transfers from the counties to the courts to increase collection efficiencies and consistency.

TRIBAL GAMING REVENUES

The May Revision includes a revised General Fund revenue projection of \$313.5 million in 2007-08 from the ratification and implementation of five amended Tribal Gaming Compacts, which is \$192.4 million less than the estimate included in the Governor's Budget.

CALIFORNIA GAMBLING CONTROL COMMISSION

The May Revision proposes \$1.7 million Indian Gaming Special Distribution Fund and 14 positions to establish an audit and compliance unit to review and enforce the minimum

internal control standards adopted by gaming tribes pursuant to the terms of their respective gaming compacts. These standards govern the way each tribe will conduct its business on a day-to-day basis and seek to ensure fair play for gaming patrons.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

The May Revision includes an increase of \$11.2 million General Fund and a corresponding decrease of \$11.2 million DNA Identification Fund to reflect a revised estimate of penalty assessment revenues. This funding will be used to collect DNA samples pursuant to the provisions of Proposition 69, the DNA Fingerprint, Unsolved Crime and Innocence Protection Act. This funding is essential to maintain the Department of Justice's (DOJ) ability to process DNA samples for inclusion in the DNA Databank, as required by law.

The May Revision also includes an increase of \$3 million Restitution Fund to increase support for the California Witness Protection Program. This adjustment will allow the DOJ to better support district attorneys in their effort to protect witnesses and their families who are endangered because of ongoing or expected testimony.

SECRETARY OF STATE

The May Revision proposes \$11.7 million General Fund for the Secretary of State to conduct the February 2008 Presidential Primary Election authorized by Chapter 2, Statutes of 2007 (SB 113). The funds are for various activities required for the election, including state ballot preparation and printing, voter registration, voter participation, the voting process, and election night reporting.

Consistent with the intent of SB 113, the state will reimburse counties for their costs associated with the Presidential Primary Election. Since county claims for reimbursement will likely not be available until mid-May of 2008, the Administration intends to address the county costs in the 2008-09 Budget.

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

The May Revision includes an increase of \$810,000 General Fund to support the California Rehabilitation Oversight Board (C-ROB) established by AB 900 (Chapter 7, Statutes of 2007). The C-ROB, chaired by the Inspector General, is tasked with examining the various mental health, substance abuse, educational and employment programs for inmates and parolees operated by the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.