CHAPTER 375

APPROPRIATIONS

HOUSE BILL 16-1243

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Hamner, Young, Rankin, Fields, Kagan, Melton, Pettersen, Rosenthal; also SENATOR(S) Lambert, Grantham, Steadman, Cadman.

AN ACT

CONCERNING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION TO THE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. Appropriation to the judicial department for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015. In Session Laws of Colorado 2015, section 2 of chapter 364, (SB 15-234), amend Part VIII as follows:

Section 2. Appropriation.

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

			APPROPRIATION FROM						
ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS			
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$			

PART VIII JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

(1) SUPREME COURT/COURT OF APPEALS

Appellate Court Programs ⁴⁵	13,377,395	13,305,395	72,000°
		(142.8 FTE)	
Office of Attorney			
Regulation Counsel	10,650,000		10,650,000(I) ^b
			(69.0 FTE)
Law Library	563,121		500,000(I) ^c 63,121 ^d
	572,669		72,669 ^d
			(2.5 FTE) (1.0 FTE)
Indirect Cost Assessment	221,332		221,332(I) ^e
_		24,811,848	

24,811,848 24,821,396

^a This amount shall be from various fees and cost recoveries.

			APPROPRIATION FROM						
ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS			
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$			

^b This amount shall be from annual attorney registration fees and law examination application fees established by the Colorado Supreme Court pursuant to the Colorado Rules of Civil Procedure, Chapter 18, Rules 203.1 and 227. These moneys are included for informational purposes as they are continuously appropriated under the Judicial Department's constitutional authority.

(2) COURTS ADMINISTRATION

(A) Administration and Technology

General Courts				
Administration	24,357,312	16,419,069	5,747,813 ^a	2,190,430^b
		16,286,069		$2,323,430^{b}$
		(202.4 FTE)	(29.0 FTE)	(2.0 FTE)
Information Technology				
Infrastructure	8,631,321	403,094	8,228,227°	
Indirect Cost Assessment	682,402		673,399 ^d	9,003°

^c This amount shall be from appellate court filing fees and other fees credited to the Supreme Court Library Fund created in Section 13-2-120, C.R.S. These moneys are included for informational purposes as they are continuously appropriated under the Judicial Department's constitutional authority.

d This amount shall be transferred from the Department of Law from the Personal Services line item appropriation within the Legal Services to State Agencies section.

^e This amount shall be from annual attorney registration fees and law examination application fees established by the Colorado Supreme Court pursuant to the Colorado Rules of Civil Procedure, Chapter 18, Rules 203.1 and 227. These moneys are included for informational purposes as they are continuously appropriated under the Judicial Department's constitutional authority.

(B) Central Appropriations

` ' 11 1			
Health, Life, and Dental	29,574,072	26,723,070	2,851,002 ^a
Short-term Disability	384,414	347,073	37,341ª
S.B. 04-257 Amortization			
Equalization Disbursement	8,928,410	8,168,699	759,711 ^a
S.B. 06-235			
Supplemental Amortization			
Equalization Disbursement	8,271,723	7,542,763	728,960 ^a
Salary Survey	8,711,251	8,395,379	315,872 ^a
Merit Pay	2,556,586	2,360,879	195,707 ^a
Workers' Compensation	1,126,921	1,126,921	
Legal Services			
for 2,000 2,600 hours	190,020	190,020	
	247,026	247,026	

^a Of this amount, an estimated \$5,508,027 shall be from the Judicial Department Information Technology Cash Fund created in Section 13-32-114 (1), C.R.S., \$96,156 shall be from the Correctional Treatment Cash Fund created in Section 18-19-103 (4) (a), C.R.S., and an estimated \$143,630 shall be from various sources of cash funds. ^b Of this amount, \$1,869,572 shall be from departmental indirect cost recoveries or the Indirect Costs Excess Recovery Fund created in Section 24-75-1401 (2), C.R.S., \$178,858 shall be from statewide indirect cost recoveries collected by the Judicial Department or the Indirect Costs Excess Recovery Fund created in Section 24-75-1401 (2), C.R.S., and an estimated \$142,000 \$275,000 shall be from indirect cost recoveries from federal grants to cover both departmental and statewide indirect costs.

^c This amount shall be from the Judicial Department Information Technology Cash Fund created in Section 13-32-114 (1), C.R.S.

^d This amount shall be from various fees and cost recoveries.

^e This amount shall be from various sources of reappropriated funds.

						APPI	ROPRIATION	FROM	1	
		ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT		CASH FUNDS		APPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$		\$	\$	\$	\$		\$	\$	
Payment to Risk Management and Property Funds Vehicle Lease Payments		729,019 93,207 93,850		729,019 93,207 93,850						
Ralph L. Carr										
Colorado Judicial										
Center Leased Space		2,491,754		2,491,754						
Payments to OIT		4,031,075		4,031,075						
CORE Operations		1,619,424		1,619,424						
Lease Purchase	_	119,878		119,878						
		68,827,754								
		68,885,403								

^a These amounts shall be from various sources of cash funds including: the State Commission on Judicial Performance Cash Fund created in Section 13-5.5-107 (1), C.R.S., the Offender Services Fund created in Section 16-11-214 (1) (a), C.R.S., the Judicial Department Information Technology Cash Fund created in Section 13-32-114 (1), C.R.S., the Judicial Collection Enhancement Fund created in Section 16-11-101.6 (2), C.R.S., the Fines Collection Cash Fund created in Section 18-1.3-401 (1) (a) (III) (D), C.R.S., the Correctional Treatment Cash Fund created in Section 18-19-103 (4) (a), C.R.S., THE RESTORATIVE JUSTICE SURCHARGE FUND CREATED IN SECTION 18-25-101 (3) (a), C.R.S., and the Alcohol and Drug Driving Safety Program Fund created in Section 42-4-1301.3 (4) (a), C.R.S.

(C) Centrally-administered Programs

Victim Assistance 16,375,000 (I)^a

Victim Compensation	13,400,000		13,400,000(I) ^b	
Collections Investigators	6,670,821		5,773,280°	897,541 ^d
-			(104.2 FTE)	
Problem-solving Courts	3,509,361	375,376	3,133,985°	
		(2.8 FTE)	(41.5 FTE)	
Language Interpreters				
and Translators	4,137,999	4,087,999	$50,\!000^{\mathrm{f}}$	
		(32.9 FTE)		
Courthouse Security	2,471,940	500,000	1,971,940 ^g	
			(1.0 FTE)	
Appropriation to the				
Underfunded Courthouse				
Facility Cash Fund	2,000,000	2,000,000		
Underfunded Courthouse				
Facilities Grant Program	2,000,000			$2,000,000^{\rm h}$
				(1.0 FTE)
Courthouse Capital/				
Infrastructure Maintenance	4,501,549	2,457,525	2,044,024	
	2,192,549	837,525	$1,355,024^{i}$	
Senior Judge Program	1,504,384	204,384	$1,300,000^{\rm e}$	
Judicial Education				
and Training	1,453,718	4,812	1,448,906°	
			(2.0 FTE)	
Office of Judicial				
Performance Evaluation	784,084	290,000	494,084 ^j	
			(2.0 FTE)	

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					APPROPRIATION	N FROM	
	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIAT FUNDS	ED FEDERAL FUNDS
\$		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Family Violence							
Justice Grants	2,670,000		2,500,000)	170,00	00^{k}	
Restorative							
Justice Programs	872,249				872,24	19 ¹	
					(1.0 FT	E)	
District Attorney Adult							
Pretrial Diversion Programs	477,000		400,000)	77,00	00^{m}	
Family-friendly							
Court Program	225,943				225,94	13 ⁿ	
					(0.5 FT)	E)	
Compensation for							
Exonerated Persons	105,751		105,751	l			
Child Support Enforcement	90,900		30,904	 		59,996°	
	95,339		32,415	5		62,924°	
						(1.0 FTE)	
	63,250,699						
	60,946,138						

^a This amount shall be from the Victims and Witnesses Assistance and Law Enforcement (VALE) Fund established in the office of the court administrator of each judicial district pursuant to Section 24-4.2-103 (1), C.R.S. These moneys are included for informational purposes as each judicial district court administrator and district attorney are authorized to spend these moneys without an appropriation for statutorily authorized purposes.

(D) Ralph L. Carr Colorado Judicial Center

Personal Services	1,460,479			
	(2.0 FTE)			
Operating Expenses	4,026,234			
Debt Service Payments	21,543,903			
Controlled Maintenance	2,025,000			
	29,055,616	5,000,000	18,529,624 ^a	5,525,992a

^b This amount shall be from the Crime Victim Compensation Fund established in the office of the court administrator of each judicial district pursuant to Section 24-4.1-117 (1), C.R.S. These moneys are included for informational purposes as each judicial district court administrator and district attorney are authorized to spend these moneys without an appropriation for statutorily authorized purposes.

^c Of this amount, an estimated \$4,873,280 shall be from the Judicial Collection Enhancement Fund created in Section 16-11-101.6 (2), C.R.S., and an estimated \$900,000 shall be from the Fines Collection Cash Fund created in Section 18-1.3-401 (1) (a) (III) (D), C.R.S.

^d This amount shall be transferred from the Victim Assistance line item appropriation within this subsection.

^e These amounts shall be from the Judicial Stabilization Cash Fund created in Section 13-32-101 (6), C.R.S.

^f This amount shall be from various fees, cost recoveries, and grants.

g This amount shall be from the Court Security Cash Fund created in Section 13-1-204 (1) (a), C.R.S.

^h This amount shall be from the Underfunded Courthouse Facility Cash Fund created in Section 13-1-304 (1), C.R.S.

ⁱ Of this amount, \$2,041,672 \$1,352,672 shall be from the Judicial Department Information Technology Cash Fund created in Section 13-32-114 (1), C.R.S., and \$2,352 shall be from the Restorative Justice Surcharge Fund created in Section 18-25-101 (3) (a), C.R.S.

^j This amount shall be from the State Commission on Judicial Performance Cash Fund created in Section 13-5.5-107 (1), C.R.S.

^k This amount shall be from the Family Violence Justice Fund created in Section 14-4-107 (1), C.R.S.

¹ This amount shall be from the Restorative Justice Surcharge Fund created in Section 18-25-101 (3) (a), C.R.S.

^m This amount shall be from the Correctional Treatment Cash Fund created in Section 18-19-103 (4) (a), C.R.S.

ⁿ This amount shall be from the Family-friendly Court Program Cash Fund created in Section 13-3-113 (6) (a), C.R.S.

^o This amount shall be transferred from the Department of Human Services from the Child Support Enforcement line item appropriation.

			APPROPRIATION FROM						
ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS			
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$			

^a These amounts shall be from the Justice Center Cash Fund created in Section 13-32-101 (7) (a), C.R.S. The reappropriated funds reflect transfers from appropriations to state agencies for Ralph L. Carr Colorado Judicial Center Leased Space that will be credited to the Justice Center Cash Fund, including \$3,034,238 from the Department of Law and \$2,491,754 from the Central Appropriations subsection of this section.

194,805,104
192,558,192

(3) TRIAL COURTS					
Trial Court Programs ⁴⁵	142,548,019	112,435,242	28,862,777 *	1,250,000 ^b	
	142,598,019	112,495,242	28,852,777 ^a		
		(1,462.6 FTE)	(383.3 FTE)		
Court Costs, Jury Costs,					
and Court-appointed					
Counsel	12,766,837	12,601,588	165,249°		
	13,512,944	13,347,695			
District Attorney					
Mandated Costs ⁴⁶	2,817,350	2,647,350	170,000°		
	2,492,350	2,322,350			
Federal Funds					
and Other Grants	2,900,000		975,000°	300,000(I) ^d	1,625,000(I)
			(3.0 FTE)	(6.0 FTE)	(5.0 FTE)
		161,032,206			

(4) PROBATION AND RELATED SERVICES

* *				
Probation Programs	84,220,961	73,309,049	10,911,912 ^a	
		(1,036.5 FTE)	(142.4 FTE)	
Offender Treatment				
and Services ⁴⁷	31,386,237	924,877	$14,373,019^{b}$	16,088,341°
Appropriation to the				
Correctional Treatment				
Cash Fund	15,200,000	15,200,000		
S.B. 91-094				
Juvenile Services	2,496,837			$2,496,837^{d}$
				(25.0 FTE)
Reimbursements to Law				
Enforcement Agencies for				
the Costs of Returning a				
Probationer	187,500		187,500 ^e	
Victims Grants	650,000			$650,000^{\mathrm{f}}$
				(6.0 FTE)

^a Of this amount, an estimated \$26,187,777 shall be from the Judicial Stabilization Cash Fund created in Section 13-32-101 (6), C.R.S., an estimated \$2,600,000 shall be from various fees and other cost recoveries, AND an estimated \$65,000 shall be from the sale of jury pattern instructions, and an estimated \$10,000 shall be from the Water Adjudication Cash Fund created in Section 37-92-309 (4) (a), C.R.S. INSTRUCTIONS.

^b This amount shall be transferred from the Department of Human Services from the Child Support Enforcement line item appropriation.

^c These amounts shall be from various fees, cost recoveries, and grants.

^d This amount shall be transferred from the Department of Public Safety and the Department of Human Services from federal funds.

		APPROPRIATION FROM						
	ITEM & TOTAL SUBTOTAL		L GENERAI FUND	GENERAL GENERAL FUND FUND EXEMPT		CASH RE FUNDS	APPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Federal Funds and Other Grants	5,600,00	0				1,950,000 ^g (2.0 FTE)	850,000 ^h (18.0 FTE)	2,800,000(I) (13.0 FTE)
Indirect Cost Assessment	1,144,69	<u>6</u> 140,886	5,231			1,144,696 ^g		

^a Of this amount, it is estimated that \$5,457,873 shall be from the Offender Services Fund created in Section 16-11-214 (1) (a), C.R.S., \$5,315,314 shall be from the Alcohol and Drug Driving Safety Program Fund created in Section 42-4-1301.3 (4) (a), C.R.S., \$80,000 shall be from various fees and cost recoveries, and \$58,725 shall be from the Offender Identification Fund created in Section 24-33.5-415.6 (1), C.R.S.

^b Of this amount, it is estimated that \$9,097,255 shall be from the Offender Services Fund created in Section 16-11-214 (1) (a), C.R.S., \$4,623,735 shall be from the Correctional Treatment Cash Fund created in Section 18-19-103 (4) (a), C.R.S., \$350,000 shall be from various fees and cost recoveries, and \$302,029 shall be from the Sex Offender Surcharge Fund created in Section 18-21-103 (3), C.R.S.

^c Of this amount, \$15,200,000 shall be from the Correctional Treatment Cash Fund created in Section 18-19-103 (4) (a), C.R.S., from General Fund moneys appropriated to the Correctional Treatment Cash Fund pursuant to Sections 18-19-103 (3.5) (b), (3.5) (c), and (4) (a), C.R.S., and \$888,341 shall be transferred from the Department of Human Services from the Persistent Drunk Driver Programs line item appropriation.

^d This amount shall be transferred from the Department of Human Services from the S.B. 91-94 Programs line item appropriation.

^e This amount shall be from the Interstate Compact Probation Transfer Cash Fund created in Section 18-1.3-204 (4) (b) (II) (A), C.R.S.

^f Of this amount, it is estimated that \$425,000 shall be transferred from local Victims and Witnesses Assistance and Law Enforcement (VALE) Board grants reflected in the Victim Assistance line item appropriation within the Courts Administration, Centrally Administered Programs subsection, pursuant to Section 24-4.2-105 (2.5) (a) (II), C.R.S., and \$225,000 shall be transferred from the Department of Public Safety from the State Victims Assistance and Law Enforcement Program line item appropriation within the Division of Criminal Justice, pursuant to Section 24-33.5-506 (1) (b), C.R.S.

g These amounts shall be from various fees, cost recoveries, and grants.

(5) OFFICE OF THE STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER⁴⁸

59,762,923	59,762,923	
	(780.2 FTE)	
6,232,846	6,232,846	
114,758	114,758	
2,295,153	2,295,153	
2,216,909	2,216,909	
583,552	583,552	
576,242	576,242	
1,741,697	1,711,697	$30,000^{a}$
114,565	114,565	
105,569	105,569	
6,456,972	6,456,972	
1,416,920	1,416,920	
140,085	140,085	
49,395	49,395	
4,817,866	4,817,866	
120,000		120,000 ^b
		(2.0 FTE)
	86,639,883	
	6,232,846 114,758 2,295,153 2,216,909 583,552 576,242 1,741,697 114,565 105,569 6,456,972 1,416,920 140,085 49,395 4,817,866	(780.2 FTE) 6,232,846 114,758 114,758 114,758 2,295,153 2,295,153 2,216,909 583,552 576,242 1,741,697 114,565 105,569 6,456,972 1,416,920 140,085 49,395 4,817,866 120,000 (780.2 FTE) (78

86,639,883 86,630,887

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^h This amount shall be transferred from the Department of Public Safety, the Department of Human Services, and the Department of Education from various sources of funds.

			APPROPRIATION FROM				
ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS	
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	

^a This amount shall be from training fees.

(6) OFFICE OF THE ALTERNATE DEFENSE COUNSEL⁴⁹

Personal Services ⁴⁵	1,093,458	1,093,458	
		(10.9 FTE)	
Health, Life, and Dental	134,599	134,599	
Short-term Disability	2,078	2,078	
S.B. 04-257 Amortization			
Equalization Disbursement	41,541	41,541	
S.B. 06-235			
Supplemental Amortization			
Equalization Disbursement	40,126	40,126	
Salary Survey	61,947	61,947	
Merit Pay	6,761	6,761	
Operating Expenses	75,405	75,405	
Capital Outlay	4,703	4,703	
Training and Conferences	60,000	20,000	$40,000^{a}$
Conflict-of-interest			
Contracts	26,615,760	26,615,760	

^b This amount shall be from grants, including funding provided by local governments for professional services provided by the Office of the State Public Defender.

	28,007,998		28,007,998
Mandated Costs	1,926,613		1,926,613
	2,047,677		2,047,677
		30,062,991	
		31,576,293	

^a This amount shall be from training fees.

(7) OFFICE OF THE CHILD'S REPRESENTATIVE⁵⁰

(/) OFFICE OF THE CHIL	D S KEI KESENIAIIVE	
Personal Services ⁴⁵	2,295,026	2,295,026
		(28.9 FTE)
Health, Life, and Dental	222,248	222,248
Short-term Disability	5,224	5,224
S.B. 04-257 Amortization		
Equalization Disbursement	104,479	104,479
S.B. 06-235		
Supplemental Amortization		
Equalization Disbursement	100,917	100,917
Salary Survey	93,977	93,977
Merit Pay	23,011	23,011
Operating Expenses	193,354	193,354
Leased Space	105,137	105,137
CASA Contracts	1,020,000	1,020,000
Training	38,000	38,000
Court-appointed Counsel ⁵¹	20,421,453	20,421,453
Mandated Costs	54,645	54,645
Title IV-E Training Grant	9,390	

9,390(I)^a

			APPROPRIATION FROM				
ITEM &	TOTAL	GENERAL	GENERAL	CASH	REAPPROPRIATED	FEDERAL	
SUBTOTAL		FUND	FUND	FUNDS	FUNDS	FUNDS	
			EXEMPT				
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	

24,686,861

(8) OFFICE OF THE RESPONDENT PARENTS' COUNSEL⁵²

Personal Services ⁴⁵	842,361	842,361	
		(6.9 FTE)	
Health, Life, and Dental	30,579	30,579	
Short-term Disability	1,430	1,430	
S.B. 04-257 Amortization			
Equalization Disbursement	28,598	28,598	
S.B. 06-235			
Supplemental Amortization			
Equalization Disbursement	27,623	27,623	
Operating Expenses	38,546	38,546	
Legal Services			
for 500 hours	47,505	47,505	
Capital Outlay	435,140	435,140	
Case Management System	253,125	253,125	
Training	45,000	22,500	$22,500^{a}$
Court-appointed Counsel	4,986,663	4,986,663	
		6,736,570	

^a This amount shall be from federal funds transferred from the Department of Human Services.

(9) INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION⁵³

Program Costs 176,690 176,690 (1.0 FTE)

Legal Services for 1,800 hours 171,018 171,018

347,708

TOTALS PART VIII

TOTALSTAKT VIII					
(JUDICIAL)	\$670,009,402	\$477,393,699	\$155,800,052 *	\$32,390,651 ^b	\$4,425,000
	\$669,747,451	\$477,685,272	\$155,101,052 ^a	\$32,536,127 ^b	

^a Of this amount, \$41,146,332 contains an (I) notation.

FOOTNOTES -- The following statements are referenced to the numbered footnotes throughout section 2.

Judicial Department, Supreme Court/Court of Appeals, Appellate Court Programs; Trial Courts, Trial Court Programs; Office of the State Public Defender, Personal Services; Office of the Alternate Defense Counsel, Personal Services; Office of the Child's Representative, Personal Services; Office of the Respondent Parents' Counsel, Personal Services -- In accordance with Section 13-30-104 (3), C.R.S., funding is provided for judicial compensation, as follows:

^a This amount shall be from training fees.

^b Of this amount, \$309,390 contains an (I) notation.

^c This amount contains an (I) notation.

	FY 2014-15 Salary	Increase	FY 2015-16 Salary
Chief Justice, Supreme Court	\$161,151	\$15,648	\$176,799
Associate Justice, Supreme Court	157,710	15,314	173,024
Chief Judge, Court of Appeals	154,933	15,044	169,977
Associate Judge, Court of Appeals	151,463	14,707	166,170
District Court Judge, Denver Juvenile Court Judge, and Denver Probate Court Judge	145,219	14,101	159,320
County Court Judge	138,972	13,494	152,466

Funding is also provided in the Long Bill to maintain the salary of the State Public Defender at the level of an associate judge of the Court of Appeals, and to maintain the salaries of the Alternate Defense Counsel, the Executive Director of the Office of the Child's Representative, and the Director of the Office of the Respondent Parents' Counsel at the level of a district court judge.

- Judicial Department, Trial Courts, District Attorney Mandated Costs -- It is the intent of the General Assembly that \$440,000 \$75,000 of the amount appropriated for District Attorney Mandated Costs be used only to reimburse mandated costs associated with one case: The People of the State of Colorado v. James Holmes (12CR1522). Should reimbursable mandated costs incurred in FY 2015-16 for this case total less than \$400,000, \$75,000, it is the intent of the General Assembly that the unexpended funds revert to the General Fund.
- Judicial Department, Probation and Related Services, Offender Treatment and Services -- It is the intent of the General Assembly that \$624,877 of the General Fund appropriation for Offender Treatment and Services be used to provide treatment and services for offenders participating in veterans treatment courts, including peer mentoring services.

- Judicial Department, Office of the State Public Defender -- In addition to the transfer authority provided in Section 24-75-108 (5), C.R.S., up to 2.5 percent of the total Office of the State Public Defender appropriation may be transferred between line items in the Office of the State Public Defender.
- Judicial Department, Office of the Alternate Defense Counsel -- In addition to the transfer authority provided in Section 24-75-108 (5), C.R.S., up to 2.5 percent of the total Office of the Alternate Defense Counsel appropriation may be transferred between line items in the Office of the Alternate Defense Counsel.
- Judicial Department, Office of the Child's Representative -- In addition to the transfer authority provided in Section 24-75-108 (5), C.R.S., up to 2.5 percent of the total Office of the Child's Representative's appropriation may be transferred between line items in the Office of the Child's Representative.
- Judicial Department, Office of the Child's Representative, Court-appointed Counsel -- It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Office of the Child's Representative be authorized to utilize up to \$25,000 of this appropriation to fund a pilot program as authorized pursuant to Section 13-91-105 (1) (e), C.R.S., for the purpose of evaluating alternatives to the appointment of child and family investigators and child's legal representatives in domestic relations cases.
- 52 Judicial Department, Office of the Respondent Parents' Counsel -- In addition to the transfer authority provided in Section 24-75-108 (5), C.R.S., up to 2.5 percent of the total Office of the Respondent Parents' Counsel's appropriation may be transferred between line items in the Office of the Respondent Parents' Counsel.
- Judicial Department, Independent Ethics Commission -- In addition to the transfer authority provided in Section 24-75-108 (5), C.R.S., up to 10.0 percent of the total Independent Ethics Commission appropriation may be transferred between line items in the Independent Ethics Commission.

- **SECTION 2.** Appropriation to the judicial department for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015. In Session Laws of Colorado 2015, amend section 17 of chapter 264, (SB 15-204), as follows:
- Section 17. **Appropriation adjustments to 2015 long bill.** (1) To implement this act, the general fund appropriation made in the annual general appropriation act for the 2015-16 state fiscal year to the department of human services for the child protection ombudsman is decreased by \$270,372.
- (2) For the 2015-16 state fiscal year, \$351,086 \$372,653 is appropriated to the judicial department. This appropriation is from the general fund and is based on an assumption that the department will require an additional 2.2 FTE. To implement this act, the department may use this appropriation as follows:
- (a) \$10,000 for general courts administration, which amount is based on an assumption that the department will require an additional 0.2 FTE;
 - (b) \$133,812 for courthouse capital and infrastructure maintenance; and
- (c) \$207,274 \$228,841 for the office of the child protection ombudsman, which amount is based on an assumption that the office will require an additional 2.0 FTE.
- **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

Approved: March 11, 2016