CHAPTER 348

APPROPRIATIONS

SENATE BILL 15-150

BY SENATOR(S) Lambert, Grantham, Steadman; also REPRESENTATIVE(S) Hamner, Young, Rankin, Esgar, Pettersen, Rosenthal, Salazar.

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, 2014. In Session Laws of Colorado 2014, section 2 of chapter 420, (HB 14-1336), 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	1 &	TOTAL	GENERAL	GENERAL	CASH	REAPPROPRIATE	D FEDERAL	
SUBTO	TAL		FUND	FUND	FUNDS	FUNDS	FUNDS	
				EXEMPT				
\$	\$		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	

PART VIII JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

(1) SUPREME COURT/COURT OF APPEALS

Appellate Court Programs ⁴⁹	12,531,286	12,459,286	$72,\!000^{\mathrm{a}}$
11	, ,	(141.0 FTE)	. , , , ,
Attorney Regulation	9,000,000	(1110112)	9,000,000(I) ^b
			(56.0 FTE)
Continuing Legal			
Education	300,000		300,000(I) ^c
			(4.0 FTE)
State Board of			
Law Examiners	1,300,000		$1,300,000(I)^d$
			(7.0 FTE)
Law Library	563,121		500,000(I) ^e 63,121 ^f
			(2.5 FTE) $(1.0 FTE)$
Indirect Cost Assessment	177,001		$177,001(I)^{g}$
		23,871,408	

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

(2) COURTS ADMINISTRATION

(A) Administration and Technology

General Courts				
Administration	22,468,617	14,616,345	5,782,533 ^a	$2,069,739^{b}$
		(199.5 FTE)	(29.5 FTE)	(2.0 FTE)
Information				
Technology Infrastructure	5,450,321	403,094	5,047,227°	
Indirect Cost Assessment	646,898		640,139 ^d	6,759e
-	28,565,836			

^b This amount shall be from annual attorney registration fees established by the Colorado Supreme Court pursuant to the Colorado Rules of Civil Procedure, Chapter 18, Rule 227 for the Attorney Regulation Committee, the Attorney Regulation Counsel, and the Presiding Disciplinary Judge established by the Colorado Rules of Civil Procedure, Chapter 20, Rules 251.2, 251.3, and 251.16. These moneys are included for informational purposes as they are continuously appropriated under the Judicial Department's constitutional authority.

^c This amount shall be from annual attorney registration fees established by the Colorado Supreme Court pursuant to the Colorado Rules of Civil Procedure, Chapter 18, Rule 227 for the Board of Continuing Legal and Judicial Education established by the Colorado Rules of Civil Procedure, Chapter 20, Rule 260.3. These moneys are included for informational purposes as they are continuously appropriated under the Judicial Department's constitutional authority.

^d This amount shall be from law examination application fees established by the Colorado Supreme Court pursuant to the Colorado Rules of Civil Procedure, Chapter 18, Rules 201.2 and 201.4. These moneys are included for informational purposes as they are continuously appropriated under the Judicial Department's constitutional authority.

^e 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.

^f 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.

^g This amount shall be from various annual attorney registration fees and law examination application fees. These moneys are included for informational purposes as they are continuously appropriated under the Judicial Department's constitutional authority.

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

^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., \$94,323 shall be from the Correctional Treatment Cash Fund created in Section 18-19-103 (4) (a), C.R.S., \$36,553 shall be from the Restorative Justice Surcharge Fund created in Section 18-25-101 (3) (a), C.R.S., and an estimated \$143,630 shall be from various sources of cash funds.

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

Health, Life, and Dental	24,531,550	22,579,160	1,952,390 ^a
Short-term Disability	404,028	369,464	34,564ª
S.B. 04-257 Amortization			
Equalization Disbursement	8,307,836	7,677,392	630,444ª
S.B. 06-235			
Supplemental Amortization			
Equalization Disbursement	7,549,075	6,958,118	590,957 ^a
Salary Survey	12,352,590	11,786,542	566,048 ^a
Merit Pay	2,013,849	1,841,214	172,635 ^a
Workers' Compensation	1,210,253	1,210,253	

^b Of this amount, \$1,779,053 shall be from departmental indirect cost recoveries or the Indirect Costs Excess Recovery Fund created in Section 24-75-1401 (2), C.R.S., \$148,686 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 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.

Legal Services		
for 2,204 hours	218,218	218,218
Payment to Risk		
Management and		
Property Funds	685,664	685,664
Vehicle Lease Payments	90,798	90,798
Ralph L. Carr		
Colorado Judicial		
Center Leased Space	2,384,393	2,384,393
Payments to OIT	2,543,223	2,543,223
	2,622,667	2,622,667
COFRS Modernization	1,067,197	1,067,197
	2,101,598	2,101,598
Lease Purchase	119,878	119,878
	63,478,552	
	64,592,397	

^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., 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	16,375,000(I) ^a
Victim Compensation	12,175,000	$12,175,000(I)^{b}$
Collections Investigators	6,497,511	5,599,970° 897,541 ^d

			APPROPRIATION FROM				
	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
9	8	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
					(104.2 FTE)		
Problem-solving Courts	3,133,985				3,133,985°		
1 Toolem solving Courts	3,133,763				(41.5 FTE)		
Language Interpreters					(41.5 T TE)		
and Translators	3,913,738		3,863,738		$50,000^{\rm f}$		
			(32.0 FTE)				
Courthouse Security	3,218,438		,		3,218,438 ^g		
•					(1.0 FTE)		
Courthouse Capital/					,		
Infrastructure Maintenance	2,742,646		2,643,883		98,763 ^h		
	2,142,646		2,043,883				
Senior Judge Program	1,300,000				1,300,000e		
Judicial Education							
and Training	1,448,906				1,448,906°		
					(2.0 FTE)		
Office of Judicial							
Performance Evaluation	748,911		290,000		458,911 ⁱ		
					(2.0 FTE)		
Family Violence							
Justice Grants	2,170,000		2,000,000		170,000 ^j		
Restorative							
Justice Programs	798,000				$798,000^{k}$		

District Attorney Adult				
Pretrial Diversion Programs	477,000	400,000	$77,000^{1}$	
Family-friendly				
Court Program	375,943		375,943 ^m	
			(0.5 FTE)	
Compensation for				
Exonerated Persons	102,771	102,771		
Child Support Enforcement	90,900	30,904	5	9,996 ⁿ
			(1.0	FTE)
_	55,568,749			
	54,968,749			

^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 attorneys are authorized to spend these moneys without an appropriation for statutorily authorized purposes.

^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 attorneys are authorized to spend these moneys without an appropriation.

^c Of this amount, an estimated \$4,699,970 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 Judicial Collection Enhancement Fund created in Section 16-11-101.6 (2), C.R.S.

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

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

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

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(D) Ralph L. Carr Colorado Judicial Center

Personal Services	1,450,421		
	(2.0 FTE)		
Operating Expenses	4,026,234		
Controlled Maintenance	2,025,000		
	7,501,655	2,135,894ª	5,365,761a

^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 \$2,981,368 from the Department of Law and \$2,384,393 from the Central Appropriations subsection of this section.

155,114,792 155,628,637

(3) TRIAL COURTS

Trial Court Programs⁴⁹ 132,395,755 99,567,431 31,728,324^a 1,100,000^b

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

¹ This amount shall be from the Correctional Treatment Cash Fund created in Section 18-19-103 (4) (a), C.R.S.

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

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

	133,030,130	100,051,80)6		1,250,000 ^b	
		(1,395.1 FT	E)	(444.6 FTE)		
Court Costs, Jury Costs,						
and Court-appointed						
Counsel	17,795,399	17,310,39)9	485,000°		
	17,795,329	17,570,32	29	225,000°		
District Attorney						
Mandated Costs ⁵⁰	2,697,153	2,527,15	53	170,000°		
Federal Funds						
and Other Grants	2,900,000			975,000°	$300,000^{d}$	1,625,000(I)
				(3.0 FTE)	(6.0 FTE)	(5.0 FTE)
		155,788,307				
		156,422,612				

^a Of this amount, an estimated \$29,053,324 shall be from the Judicial Stabilization Cash Fund created in Section 13-32-101 (6), C.R.S., an estimated \$65,000 shall be from the sale of jury pattern instructions, an estimated \$10,000 shall be from the Water Adjudication Cash Fund created in Section 37-92-309 (4) (a), C.R.S., and an estimated \$2,600,000 shall be from various fees and other cost recoveries.

(4) PROBATION AND RELATED SERVICES

Probation Programs	79,389,528	68,889,803	10,499,725 ^a	
		(1,013.6 FTE)	(142.4 FTE)	
Offender Treatment				
and Services ⁵¹	31,388,070	924,877	14,374,852 ^b	16,088,341°

^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 & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL		GENERAL FUND		GENERAL FUND EXEMPT		CASH FUNDS	REA	APPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$		\$	\$		\$		\$		\$	\$	
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°			
Victims Grants		650,000									$650,000^{\mathrm{f}}$	
											(6.0 FTE)	
Federal Funds												
and Other Grants		5,600,000							$1,950,000^{g}$		$850,000^{\rm h}$	2,800,000(I)
									(2.0 FTE)		(18.0 FTE)	(13.0 FTE)
Indirect Cost Assessment	_	1,103,840							$1,103,840^{g}$			
			136,015,775									

^a Of this amount, it is estimated that \$5,247,658 shall be from the Offender Services Fund created in Section 16-11-214 (1) (a), C.R.S., \$5,113,342 shall be from the Alcohol and Drug Driving Safety Program Fund created in Section 42-4-1301.3 (4) (a), C.R.S., \$58,725 shall be from the Offender Identification Fund created in Section 24-33.5-415.6 (1), C.R.S., and \$80,000 shall be from various fees and cost recoveries.

(5) OFFICE OF THE STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER⁵²

Personal Services ⁴⁹	56,837,922	56,837,922
	56,465,571	56,465,571
		(757.7 FTE)
		(751.7 FTE)
Health, Life, and Dental	5,433,553	5,433,553
	5,355,507	5,355,507
Short-term Disability	105,694	105,694
	102,281	102,281
S.B. 04-257 Amortization		
Equalization Disbursement	1,921,707	1,921,707

^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., \$4,625,568 shall be from the Correctional Treatment Cash Fund created in Section 18-19-103 (4) (a), C.R.S., \$302,029 shall be from the Sex Offender Surcharge Fund created in Section 18-21-103 (3), C.R.S., and \$350,000 shall be from various fees and cost recoveries.

^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.

^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
\$		\$	\$	\$	\$		\$	3
	1,915,191		1,915,191					
S.B. 06-235	1,713,171		1,713,171					
Supplemental Amortization								
Equalization Disbursement	1,801,601		1,801,601					
1	1,795,395		1,795,395					
Salary Survey	1,303,106		1,303,106					
Merit Pay	528,200		528,200					
Operating Expenses	1,697,072		1,667,072			30,000 ^a		
1 6 1	1,686,370		1,656,370					
Vehicle Lease Payments	112,755		112,755					
Capital Outlay	75,248		75,248					
•	47,030		47,030					
Leased Space/Utilities	6,509,426		6,509,426					
•	6,456,972		6,456,972					
Automation Plan	1,416,920		1,416,920					
Attorney Registration	138,755		138,755					
	137,615		137,615					
Contract Services	49,395		49,395					
Mandated Costs	4,552,716		4,552,716					
Grants	120,000					120,000 ^b		
_						(2.0 FTE)		

82,045,024

(6) OFFICE OF THE ALTERNATE DEFENSE COUNSEL⁵³

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Personal Services ⁴⁹	839,579	839,579	
		(8.5 FTE)	
Health, Life, and Dental	112,745	112,745	
Short-term Disability	1,694	1,694	
S.B. 04-257 Amortization			
Equalization Disbursement	30,807	30,807	
S.B. 06-235			
Supplemental Amortization			
Equalization Disbursement	28,882	28,882	
Salary Survey	28,709	28,709	
Merit Pay	8,389	8,389	
Operating Expenses	67,030	67,030	
Training and Conferences	60,000	20,000	$40,000^{a}$
Conflict-of-interest			
Contracts	26,615,760	26,615,760	
Mandated Costs	1,852,371	1,852,371	
		29,645,966	

^a This amount shall be from training fees.

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

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s	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS \$ \$	FEDERAL FUNDS
(7) OFFICE OF THE CHII	LD'S REPRESEN	TATIVE54					
Personal Services ⁴⁹	1,971,589		1,971,589				
			(27.4 FTE)				
Health, Life, and Dental	249,721		249,721				
Short-term Disability	4,714		4,714				
S.B. 04-257 Amortization							
Equalization Disbursement	85,702		85,702				
S.B. 06-235							
Supplemental Amortization							
Equalization Disbursement	80,345		80,345				
Salary Survey	266,519		266,519				
Merit Pay	19,415		19,415				
Operating Expenses	191,929		191,929				
Leased Space	103,618		103,618				
CASA Contracts	1,020,000		1,020,000				
Training	38,000		38,000				
Court-appointed Counsel55	18,912,675		18,912,675				
	20,421,453		20,421,453				
Mandated Costs	37,287		37,287				
-		22,981,514					
		24,490,292					

(8)	INDEPENDENT	ETHICS	COMMISSION ⁵⁶
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Personal Services	193,063		193,063				
	117,977		117,977				
			(2.0 FTE)				
Health, Life, and Dental	15,393		15,393				
Short-term Disability	374		374				
S.B. 04-257 Amortization							
Equalization Disbursement	6,803		6,803				
S.B. 06-235							
Supplemental Amortization							
Equalization Disbursement	6,378		6,378				
Salary Survey	4,567		4,567				
Merit Pay	1,827		1,827				
Operating Expenses	16,757		16,757				
	21,843		21,843				
Legal Services							
for 1,080 1,787 hours	106,931		106,931				
	176,931		176,931				
		352,093					
TOTALS PART VIII							
(JUDICIAL) ¹		\$606,373,925	\$436,154,841	\$135,845,9	189* !	\$29,948,095	\$4,425,000 ^b

^a Of this amount, \$39,827,001 contains an (I) notation.

\$608,471,807

\$135,585,989a

\$30,098,095

\$438,362,723

^b This amount contains an (I) notation.

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

- All Departments except Department of Corrections, Department of Human Services, and Department of Public Safety, Totals -- It is the intent of the General Assembly that when each department applies the 2.5 percent salary survey increase reflected in the salary survey line item appropriations, each employee shall receive a base-building increase up to the range maximum, and that salary survey increase amounts over the range maximum shall not be base-building.
- 49 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 -- In accordance with Section 13-30-104 (3), C.R.S., funding is provided for judicial compensation, as follows:

	FY 2013-14 Salary	Increase	FY 2014-15 Salary
Chief Justice, Supreme Court	\$147,845	\$13,306	\$161,151
Associate Justice, Supreme Court	144,688	13,022	157,710
Chief Judge, Court of Appeals	142,140	12,793	154,933
Associate Judge, Court of Appeals	138,957	12,506	151,463
District Court Judge, Denver Juvenile Court Judge, and Denver Probate Court Judge	133,228	11,991	145,219
County Court Judge	127,497	11,475	138,972

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 and the Executive Director of the Office of the Child's Representative 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 \$300,000 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 2014-15 for this case total less than \$300,000, 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.
- 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. 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, 2015