

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**  
**FY20 - Summary of Significant Budget Issues**

**Governor's Budget Items Approved as Requested**

<b>Item #</b>	<b>Approp/Allocation</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount/Fund Source</b>	<b>Comment</b>
<b>1</b>	Alaska State Troopers/ Special Projects	Federal Receipt Authority for the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program	\$5,000.0 FED	The legislature approved the Governor's request to receive \$5,000.0 in federal grant funding to address drug production and trafficking in Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Juneau. Those communities were recently designated as High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) by the federal Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP).
<b>2</b>	Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault/ Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault	Federal Receipt Authority for Victim of Crime Act Grant Award	\$4,000.0 FED	The legislature approved the Governor's request for an additional \$4,000.0 in federal Victim of Crime Act (VOCA) funds that were awarded to Alaska via a federal formula for grant awards. Alaska's apportionment of VOCA funds increased significantly from FFY17 to FFY18, and a portion of this increased federal receipt authority is for the state to receive remaining FFY17 VOCA funds.
<b>3</b>	Alaska State Troopers/ Alaska Bureau of Investigation	Fully Fund Two State Trooper/Investigators Added in SLA 2018	\$125.3 UGF	In FY19, the legislature added two new state troopers as investigators, and provided 75% of the required funding for those positions based on the assumption that, due to recruitment delays, the department would not require full-funding in the first year. This budgetary action provides the remaining 25% of the funding to fully fund these filled positions.
<b>4</b>	Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault/ Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault	Restorative Justice Account Distribution to CDVSA	\$215.0 Restorative Justice (Other)	The legislature approved the Governor's proposal to allocate Restorative Justice funds to the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. AS 43.23.048(b)(3) suggests that one to three percent of the Restorative Justice account be allocated to CDVSA. For FY20, CDVSA received 1% of available funding. Those funds are to provide grants to nonprofit organizations to provide services for crime victims and domestic violence and sexual assault programs. This law took effect January 1, 2019 as the result of the passage of HB 216 in the 2018 legislative session.

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<b>5</b>	Statewide Support/ Training Academy	Increased Receipt Authority for Anticipated Training Academy Revenues	<b>Total: \$582.9</b> \$150.0 (DGF) \$432.9 (Other)	The legislature approved the Governor's request to increase both general fund program receipt authority and interagency receipt authority for the trooper training academy due to the department's increased retention and recruitment initiative. The request also eliminated \$67.1 of uncollectible statutory designated program receipt authority that was intended to address the collection of tuition payments from local police departments. Those payments are received as interagency receipts through the Alaska Police Standards Council.
<b>6</b>	Statewide Support/ Various Allocations	Executive Branch 50% Travel Reduction	<b>Total: (\$134.7)</b> (\$98.9) UGF (\$4.9) DGF (\$29.4) Other (\$1.5) Fed	<p>The Governor requested a reduction in travel funding in all allocations equal to 50% of the actual travel costs in FY18. The legislature approved all requested travel reductions in the Statewide Support appropriation. The executive branch is preparing a travel plan to reduce travel spending without preventing critical travel.</p> <p>The enacted reductions by allocations are as follows:  Commissioner's Office: \$21.9 UGF  Training Academy: \$40.6 UGF  Administrative Services: \$20.9 Total [\$5.6 UGF, \$15.3 I/A Rcpts (Other)]  Information Systems: \$30.4 Total [\$13.3 UGF, \$4.9 GF/Prgm (DGF), \$12.2 I/A Rcpts (Other)]  Laboratory Services: \$20.9 [\$1.5 Fed Rcpts (Fed), \$17.5 UGF, \$1.9 CIP Rcpts (Other)]</p>
<b>7</b>	Statewide Support/ Administrative Services	Office of Information Technology Salary Adjustment Billed to Agencies	\$83.3 UGF	The legislature approved the Governor's request for the department to receive an increment to pay for the increased salary costs in the Office of Information Technology under the Department of Administration.

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<b>8</b>	Statewide Support/ Laboratory Services	Add Federal Receipt Authority	\$150.0 Fed	<p>The legislature approved the Governor's request for an increase in Federal Receipt authority, subsequent to increases in the formula-driven award amounts of multiple federal grant programs.</p> <p><b>Legislative Fiscal Analyst:</b> The legislature approved a Revised Program Legislative (RPL) 12-9-3040 for FY19 in the amount of \$163.4 in Federal Receipts, also for the purpose of accepting additional Coverdell grant funding and DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program grant funding, both of which are formula driven federal grant awards.</p>
<b>9</b>	Fire and Life Safety/ Fire and Life Safety	Transfer to Fire and Life Safety from Administrative Services	\$90.0 UGF	<p>The legislature approved \$90.0 UGF for Fire and Life Safety to allow the department to contract out services and hire additional personnel. This action was taken in response to reports that businesses and other entities were experiencing significant delays in obtaining a fire safety inspection for buildings, which can delay the use of the facility.</p> <p><b>Legislative Fiscal Analyst:</b> The legislature also approved a supplemental transfer from Administrative Services to Fire and Life Safety in the same amount to initiate this effort in FY19.</p>

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**Governor's Vetoes**

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<b>10</b>	Village Public Safety Officers/ Village Public Safety Officer Program	Reduce Funding for the Village Public Safety Officer Program	(\$3,000.0) UGF	<p>The Governor's proposal included a \$3,000.0 UGF decrement to the Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) Program which the legislature denied. The Governor then removed this funding with a veto. The legislature restored the funding once again through HB 2001 in the Second Special Session, and the Governor again eliminated the funding through veto.</p> <p><b>Legislative Fiscal Analyst:</b> The Governor asserted that this funding would lapse due to vacancies, but that the department would continue to make efforts to hire these vacancies, and that he would request funding in subsequent years if recruitment efforts were successful. The legislature reappropriated \$2,977.5 of excess FY19 funding which was also set to lapse. The Governor also vetoed this reappropriation.</p>
<b>11</b>	Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault/ Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault	Eliminate Transfer of Funds for Study of Sexual Assault in Rural Alaska	(\$250.0) UGF	The legislature included a one-time transfer of funding from the Village Public Safety Officer Program to the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault for commissioning a non-government agency to study and evaluate the state's current efforts and capacity to address sexual assault in rural Alaska. The Governor vetoed all funding associated with that study. The legislature later restored the funding through HB 2001 in the Second Special Session, and again the Governor vetoed the funding.
<b>12</b>	Statewide Support/ Civil Air Patrol	Eliminate Funding for the Alaska Wing Civil Air Patrol	(\$250.0) UGF	The legislature added \$250.0 of UGF funding for the Civil Air Patrol, which had received one-time funding in the amount of \$302.3 UGF in the FY19 budget. The Governor vetoed this funding, eliminating all state support for the Civil Air Patrol.

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**Fiscal Notes**

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13	HB 49 (Chapter 4, FSSLA 19)	Crimes; Sentencing; Drugs; Theft; Reports	\$342.5 PCE Endow (DGF)  <b>2 PFT Positions</b>	<p><u>Statewide Support/ Laboratory Services</u>  This legislation requires the State Crime Lab to test sexual assault test kits that are covered under AS 44.41.070(b) within one year of the kit being received by the crime lab and the department must also inform victims of the completion of the testing within two weeks of completion.</p> <p>The legislation also requires law enforcement agencies to submit all sexual assault test kits except those excluded under the bill, which will increase the number of kits received by the crime lab. The department has requested two new Forensic Scientist III positions as well as funding for supplies for those individuals. Furthermore, the department requested funding to contract out testing services during the recruitment period for the two added personnel. In out years, the fiscal impact will be reduced to personnel and supply costs related to the two new Forensic Scientist III positions. The legislature funded this fiscal note with PCE Endowment funds (DGF).</p> <p><b>Legislative Fiscal Analyst Comment:</b> The PCE Endowment fund has limited purposes designated by statute. Appropriations from the PCE Endowment to fund HB 49 and HB 14 are flagged as non-designated uses of the PCE Endowment fund.</p>