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Fiscal Year 2017 Commerce, Justice, Science Appropriations Act

The House Appropriations Committee approved H.R. XXXX, the FY 2017 Commerce, Justice, Science Appropriations Act on May 24. It now awaits consideration by the full House. The bill funds the Department of Justice at \$29 billion. Once again, the House has significantly altered the COPS grant program by rolling the hiring grant program into Byrne JAG, and eliminated a number of grant programs that they have deemed low-priority or duplicative.

The House bill allocates \$2.3 billion for state and local law enforcement and crime prevention grant programs, a reduction of \$183 million below FY 2016 levels. The bill includes \$528 million for the Violence Against Women account (an increase of \$48 million), \$425 million for Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (an increase of \$78 million), and \$274 million for the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (an increase of \$64 million). Additionally, the bill includes \$103 million for programs to address the opioid abuse epidemic.

The Senate Appropriations Committee approved S. 2837, the FY 2017 Commerce, Justice, and Science Appropriations Act on April 21. It now awaits consideration by the full Senate. The bill funds the Department of Justice at \$29.2 billion, an increase of \$156 million above the FY2016 enacted level.

The Senate bill allocates \$2.36 billion in funding for state and local law enforcement and crime prevention grant programs. It includes \$384 million for Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG), approximately \$170 million for initiatives that will address Rape Kit and other DNA evidence backlogs, and \$49 million in support for Drug Courts. Additionally, the bill includes \$36,000,000 for RISS, a \$1 million increase from FY 2016.

Key Policy Riders

Cell-Site Simulators Restrictions (Senate bill) – Requires the Department of Justice to comply with the [DOJ guidance](#) issued on September 3, 2015 regarding cell-site simulators.

Marijuana Provision (Senate bill) – Includes a provision that prohibits the Department of Justice from preventing certain States from implementing State laws regarding the use of medical marijuana.

Community Oriented Policing Services				
Program	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Enacted	FY 2017 Draft Senate Bill	FY 2017 Draft House Bill
COPS Hiring Grants	\$180,000,000	\$187,000,000	\$187,000,000	(Folded into Byrne)
Tribal Resources Grant Program	(\$33,000,000)	(\$30,000,000)	(\$30,000,000)	
Community Policing Development/Training and Technical Assistance	(\$7,500,000)	(\$10,000,000)	(\$10,000,000)	
Collaborative Reform Model	(\$5,000,000)	(\$10,000,000)	(\$10,000,000)	
Transfer to DEA for Methamphetamine Lab Cleanups	\$7,000,000	\$11,000,000	\$11,000,000	\$11,000,000
Anti-Methamphetamine Task Forces	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000	
Anti-Heroin Task Forces	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000	\$10,000,000	
Regional gang task forces	\$7,000,000	-	-	
Regional Information Sharing Activities				\$35,000,000
Community Trust Initiative				\$75,000,000
Body worn camera partnership initiative				(\$22,500,000)
Justice Reinvestment Initiative				(\$27,500,000)
Research and Statistics on Community Trust				(\$10,000,000)
Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Program				(\$15,000,000)
Second Chance Act				\$68,000,000
Tribal Assistance				\$65,000,000
Community Teams to Reduce the Sexual Assault Kit (SAK) Backlog				\$45,000,000

State & Local Law Enforcement Assistance				
Program	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017 Draft	FY 2017 Draft
Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grants	\$376,000,000	\$476,000,000	\$384,000,000	\$476,000,000
VALOR Initiative	(\$15,000,000)	(\$15,000,000)	(\$15,000,000)	(\$20,000,000)
Domestic Radicalization Research	(\$4,000,000)	(\$4,000,000)	-	(\$4,000,000)
Convention security		(\$100,000,000)	-	-
Smart Policing	(\$5,000,000)	(\$5,000,000)	(\$10,000,000)	
Smart Prosecution	(\$2,500,000)	(\$2,500,000)	(\$2,500,000)	
Firearms Safety Materials and Gun Locks	(\$3,000,000)	-	(\$1,000,000)	
Missing Alzheimer's Patients Grants	(\$750,000)	-		
National Missing and Unidentified Person System	-	(\$2,400,000)	(\$2,400,000)	(\$2,400,000)
Improved Police Responses to the Mentally Ill			(\$5,000,000)	
Bulletproof Vests Partnerships				(\$22,500,000)
Juvenile Indigent Defense				(\$2,500,000)
State Criminal Alien Assistance Program	\$185,000,000	\$210,000,000	\$100,000,000	\$273,906,000

Program	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Enacted	FY 2017 Draft Senate Bill	FY 2017 Draft House Bill
Victims of Trafficking Grants	\$42,250,000	\$45,000,000	\$47,649,000	
Drug Courts	\$41,000,000	\$42,000,000	\$43,000,000	(see Opioid Init)
Mentally Ill Offender Act	\$8,500,000	\$10,000,000	\$11,000,000	(see Opioid Init)
Residential Substance Abuse Treatment	\$10,000,000	\$12,000,000	\$14,000,000	(see Opioid Init)
Capital Litigation and Wrongful Conviction Review	\$2,000,000	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$2,000,000
Economic, High-tech and Cybercrime Prevention	\$13,000,000	\$13,000,000	\$14,000,000	
Intellectual Property Enforcement Program	(\$2,500,000)	(\$2,500,000)	(\$2,500,000)	
Cybercrime Prosecutor Pilot Program			(\$1,000,000)	
John R. Justice Grant Program	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	
White Collar Crime Prevention				\$10,000,000
Adam Walsh Act Implementation	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000
Children Exposed to Violence Initiative	\$8,000,000	\$8,000,000	\$8,000,000	
Bulletproof Vests Partnerships	\$22,250,000	\$22,500,000	\$22,500,000	(see Byrne)
Transfer to NIST/OLES	(\$1,500,000)	(\$1,500,000)	(\$1,500,000)	
National Sex Offender Public Website	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Violent Gang and Gun Crime Reduction	\$5,000,000	\$6,500,000	\$6,500,000	\$20,000,000
National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) Initiative	\$73,000,000	\$73,000,000	\$75,000,000	\$73,000,000
NICS Act Record Improvement Program	(\$25,000,000)	(\$25,000,000)	(\$25,000,000)	
Paul Coverdell Forensic Science	\$12,000,000	\$13,500,000	\$13,500,000	
DNA Initiative	\$125,000,000	\$125,000,000	\$125,000,000	\$125,000,000
Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grants	(\$117,000,000)	(\$117,000,000)	(\$117,000,000)	(\$117,000,000)
Kirk Bloodsworth Post-Conviction DNA Testing Grants	(\$4,000,000)	(\$4,000,000)	(\$4,000,000)	(\$4,000,000)
Sexual Assault Forensic Exam Program Grants	(\$4,000,000)	(\$4,000,000)	(\$4,000,000)	(\$4,000,000)
Community Teams to Reduce the Sexual Assault Kit (SAK) Backlog	\$41,000,000	\$45,000,000	\$45,000,000	(see COPS)
CASA—Special Advocates	\$6,000,000	\$9,000,000	\$9,000,000	\$9,000,000
Tribal Assistance	\$30,000,000	\$30,000,000		(see COPS)
Second Chance Act/Offender Reentry	\$68,000,000	\$68,000,000	\$75,000,000	(see COPS)
Smart Probation	(\$6,000,000)	(\$6,000,000)	(\$6,000,000)	
Children of Incarcerated Parents Demo Grants	(\$5,000,000)	(\$5,000,000)	(\$5,000,000)	
Pay for Success	(\$7,500,000)	(\$7,500,000)	(\$7,500,000)	
Project HOPE Opportunity Probation with Enforcement	\$4,000,000	(\$4,000,000)	(\$4,000,000)	
Veterans Treatment Courts	\$5,000,000	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000	(see Opioid Init)
Prescription Drug Monitoring	\$11,000,000	\$13,000,000	\$14,000,000	(see Opioid Init)
Prison Rape Prevention and Prosecution	\$13,000,000	\$10,500,000		\$12,000,000

Program	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Enacted	FY 2017 Draft Senate Bill	FY 2017 Draft House Bill
Campus Public Safety	\$2,000,000	-		
Vision 21	\$12,500,000	-		
Comprehensive School Safety Initiative	\$75,000,000	\$75,000,000	\$75,000,000	\$75,000,000
Community Trust Initiative		\$70,000,000	\$70,000,000	(see COPS)
Body worn camera partnership initiative		(\$22,500,000)	(\$22,500,000)	(see COPS)
Justice Reinvestment Initiative	\$27,500,000	(\$27,500,000)	(\$25,000,000)	(see COPS)
Research and Statistics on Community Trust		(\$5,000,000)		(see COPS)
Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Program	(\$10,500,000)	(\$15,000,000)	(\$17,500,000)	(see COPS)
National Crime Statistics Exchange			(\$5,000,000)	-
Opioid Initiative				\$103,000,000
Drug Courts				(\$42,000,000)
Veterans Treatment Courts				(\$7,000,000)
Residential Substance Abuse Treatment				(\$12,000,000)
Prescription Drug Monitoring				(\$14,000,000)
Mentally Ill Offender Act				(\$12,000,000)
Juvenile Justice Programs				
Program	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Enacted	FY 2017 Draft Senate Bill	FY 2017 Draft House Bill
Part B - State Formula Grants	\$55,500,000	\$58,000,000	\$63,000,000	
Emergency Planning - Juvenile Detention Facilities	(\$500,000)	(\$500,000)	(\$500,000)	
Youth Mentoring Grants	\$90,000,000	\$90,000,000	\$75,000,000	\$90,000,000
Title V - Delinquency Prevention Incentive Grants	\$15,000,000	\$17,500,000	\$27,500,000	
Tribal Youth	(\$5,000,000)	(\$10,000,000)	(\$10,000,000)	
Gang & Youth Violence Education & Prevention	(\$3,000,000)	(\$5,000,000)	(\$5,000,000)	
Community-Based Violence Prevention Initiatives	(\$6,000,000)	----		
National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention	(\$1,000,000)	----		
Children of Incarcerated Parents Web Portal	----	(\$500,000)	(\$500,000)	
Girls in the Justice System	----	(\$2,000,000)	(\$2,000,000)	
Victims of Child Abuse Programs	\$19,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$21,000,000	\$20,000,000
Community-Based Violence Prevention Initiatives	----	\$8,000,000	\$8,000,000	
Missing & Exploited Children Programs	\$68,000,000	\$72,160,000	\$73,000,000	\$72,250,000
Training for Judicial Personnel	\$1,500,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
Children of Incarcerated Parents Web Portal	\$500,000	----		
Girls in the Justice System	\$2,000,000	----		
Improving Juvenile Indigent Defense	----	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	(see Byrne)

Other Items				
Program	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Enacted	FY 2017 Draft Senate Bill	FY 2017 Draft House Bill
Regional Information Sharing Activities	\$30,000,000	\$35,000,000	\$36,000,000	(see COPS)
Federal Bureau of Investigation	\$8,394,000,000	\$8,497,860,000	\$8,617,133,000	\$9,077,866,000
Drug Enforcement Administration	\$2,405,200,000	\$2,451,514,000	\$2,485,638,000	\$2,102,976,000
Diversion Control Program		(\$371,514,000)	(\$382,662,000)	
US Marshals Service	\$1,195,000,000	\$1,230,581,000	\$2,713,454,000	\$1,258,000,000
Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives	\$1,201,000,000	\$1,240,000,000	\$1,258,600,000	\$1,257,757,000