



*Jim Justice*  
*Governor of West Virginia*

March 16, 2017

The Honorable Mitch Carmichael  
President of the Senate  
State Capitol, Building 1, Room 229-M  
Charleston, West Virginia 25305

The Honorable Tim Armstead  
Speaker of the House of Delegates  
State Capitol, Building 1, Room 228-M  
Charleston, West Virginia 25305

Dear President Carmichael and Speaker Armstead:

After submission of my recommended FY 2018 Executive Budget on February 8, 2017, there have been a few areas that require adjustments.

These changes, in coordination with my revised revenue proposals, will result in a FY 2018 surplus in the General Revenue Fund of over \$54 million.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 51, Article VI of the Constitution of the State of West Virginia, I submit revisions to the FY 2018 Budget Bill for the TITLE II – APPROPRIATIONS as follows:

**Section 1. Appropriations from general revenue.**

**Executive**

*Governor's Office, Fund 0101, Fiscal Year 2018, Org 0100*

(To rename the Herbert Henderson Office of Minority Affairs per SB 425/HB 2724.)

- Rename appropriation 13400 "Herbert Henderson Office of Inclusion".
- Change the references in the directive language to reflect the renamed appropriation and special revenue fund.

**Department of Commerce**

*Division of Forestry, Fund 0250, Fiscal Year 2018, Org 0305*

(To allow for rehiring of previously laid off Forester positions.)

- Increase "Personal Services and Employee Benefits" Appropriation 00100 by \$550,000.

*West Virginia Development Office, Fund 0256, Fiscal Year 2018, Org 0307*

(To spread funding for the Save Our State program over three years.)

- Decrease "Save Our State (SOS)" Appropriation 05050 by \$70,505,000.

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*Division of Miners' Health, Safety and Training, Fund 0277, Fiscal Year 2018, Org 0314*

(To realign funding to reflect departmental reorganization and to allow for rehiring of previously laid off Forester positions.)

- Decrease "Personal Services and Employee Benefits" Appropriation 00100 by \$605,000.

*Department of Commerce – Office of the Secretary, Fund 0606, Fiscal Year 2018, Org 0327*

(To realign funding to reflect departmental reorganization.)

- Increase "Personal Services and Employee Benefits" Appropriation 00100 by \$55,000.

**Department of Education**

*State Board of Education – State Aid to Schools, Fund 0317, Fiscal Year 2018, Org 0402*

(To adjust the State Aid Formula Teachers' Retirement System Unfunded Liability appropriation to reflect a smoothing methodology for actuarial gains and losses adopted by the Retirement Board.)

- Decrease "Retirement Systems – Unfunded Liability" Appropriation 77500 by \$43,213,000.  
(To adjust School Aid Formula based on final local share numbers.)
- Increase "Less Local Share" line by \$703,080 from (\$453,783,878) to (\$454,486,958).

*State Board of Education – Division of Education Performance Audits, Fund 0573, Fiscal Year 2018, Org 0402*

(To reflect elimination of the Office of Performance Audits per SB 420/HB 2711.)

- Delete fund 0573 in its entirety, a reduction of \$1,171,798.

**Department of Education and the Arts**

*Educational Broadcasting Authority, Fund 0300, Fiscal Year 2018, Org 0439*

(To restore funding for the Educational Broadcasting Authority to permit the agency to enter into a transition phase with a land-grant institution of higher education.)

- Add "Personal Services and Employee Benefits" Appropriation 00100 for \$4,245,141.
- Add "Current Expense" Appropriation 13000 for \$20,146.
- Add "Mountain Stage" Appropriation 24900 for \$300,000.
- Add "Capital Outlay and Maintenance" Appropriation 75500 for \$10,000.
- Add "BRIM Premium" Appropriation 91300 for \$45,283.

**Department of Transportation**

*State Rail Authority, Fund 0506, Fiscal Year 2018, Org 0804*

(To combine agencies into the Division of Multimodal Transportation per SB 414/HB 2717.)

- Delete fund 0506 in its entirety.

*Aeronautics Commission, Fund 0582, Fiscal Year 2018, Org 0807*

(To combine agencies into the Division of Multimodal Transportation per SB 414/HB 2717.)

- Delete fund 0582 in its entirety.

*Division of Multimodal Transportation, Fund \_\_\_\_\_, Fiscal Year 2018, Org \_\_\_\_\_*

(To create Division of Multimodal Transportation per SB 414/ HB 2717.)

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- Add “Personal Services and Employee Benefits” Appropriation 00100 for \$525,832.
- Add “Current Expenses” Appropriation 13000 for \$998,946.
- Add “Repairs and Alterations” Appropriation 06400 for \$100.
- Add “Civil Air Patrol” Appropriation 23400 for \$129,219.
- Add “Other Assets” Appropriation 69000 for \$1,335,760.
- Add “BRIM Premium” Appropriation 91300 for \$192,504.
- Add the language, “Any unexpended balances remaining in the appropriations for Unclassified (fund 0582, appropriation 09900), Current Expenses (fund 0582, appropriation 13000), and Other Assets (fund 0506, appropriation 69000), at the close of the fiscal year 2017 are hereby reappropriated for expenditure during the fiscal year 2018, with the exception of fund 0506, fiscal year 2017, appropriation 69000 (\$32,483) which shall expire on June 30, 2017. The specified unexpended balances attributable to the former separate agencies combined into the Division of Multimodal Transportation shall be transferred and reassigned to the fund and organization number assigned to the Division of Multimodal Transportation. From the above appropriation for Current Expenses (fund \_\_\_\_, appropriation 13000), the sum of \$120,000 shall be distributed equally to each of the twelve local Civil Air Patrol Squadrons.”

**Section 3. Appropriations from other funds.**

**Executive**

*Governor’s Office – Minority Affairs Fund, Fund 1058, Fiscal Year 2018, Org 0100*

(To rename the Herbert Henderson Office of Minority Affairs per SB 425/HB 2724.)

- Rename fund 1058 “Governor’s Office – Office of Inclusion”.

**Department of Administration**

*Division of Information Services and Communications, Fund 2220, Fiscal Year 2018, Org 0210*

(To combine the Office of Technology and Division of Information Services and Communications per SB 557/HB 2900.)

- Rename fund “Office of Technology – Information Services and Communication Fund”.
- Increase “Personal Services and Employee Benefits” Appropriation 00100 by \$399,911.
- Increase “Unclassified” Appropriation 09900 by \$6,949.
- Increase “Current Expenses” Appropriation 13000 by \$227,116.
- Increase “Repairs and Alterations” Appropriation 06400 by \$1,000.
- Increase “Equipment” Appropriation 07000 by \$50,000.
- Increase “Other Assets” Appropriation 69000 by \$10,000.

*Office of Technology – Chief Technology Officer Administration Fund, Fund 2531, Fiscal Year 2018, Org 0231*

(To combine the Office of Technology and Division of Information Services and Communications per SB 557/HB 2900.)

- Delete fund 2531 in its entirety.

**Miscellaneous Boards and Commissions**

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*WV Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses – Registered Professional Nurses, Fund 8520, Fiscal Year 2018, Org 0907*

(To correcting a drafting error.)

- Decrease “Directed Transfer” Appropriation 70000 by \$500,000.
- Delete the directive language following fund 8520.

*Board of Medicine – Medical Licensing Board Fund, Fund 9070, Fiscal Year 2018, Org 0945*

(To allow for hiring of an investigator and part-time attorney position.)

- Increase “Personal Services and Employee Benefits” Appropriation 00100 by \$140,000.

**Section 4. Appropriations from lottery net profits.**

**Department of Commerce**

*West Virginia Development Office – Division of Tourism, Fund 3067, Fiscal Year 2018, Org 0304*

(To rename the Division of Tourism per SB 535/HB 2899.)

- Rename fund 3067 “West Virginia Tourism Office”.

**Section 6. Appropriations of federal funds.**

**Department of Transportation**

*Public Port Authority, Fund 8830, Fiscal Year 2018, Org 0806*

(To combine agencies into the Division of Multimodal Transportation per SB 414/HB 2717.)

- Delete fund 8830 in its entirety.

*Division of Multimodal Transportation, Fund \_\_\_\_\_, Fiscal Year 2018, Org \_\_\_\_\_*

(To create Division of Multimodal Transportation per SB 414/ HB 2717.)

- Add “Current Expenses” Appropriation 13000 for \$200,000.

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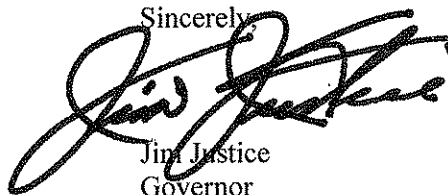
*Public Service Commission – Motor Carrier Division, Fund 8743, Fiscal Year 2018, Org 0926*

(To allow for expenditure of federal funds for equipment purchases.)

- Add “Equipment” Appropriation 07000 for \$750,000.

Thank you for your prompt attention of this matter. Your cooperation is always appreciated. Should you have any questions or require additional information, please call me at any time.

Sincerely,



Jim Justice  
Governor

cc: The Honorable Mike Hall, Chairman  
The Honorable Eric Nelson, Chairman  
State Budget Office