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TO: Records Access Officer/Division of Criminal Justice Services  
Records Access Officer/Division of the Budget

FROM: Elena Ruth Sassower, Director  
Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)

RE: FOIL REQUEST: The "plan" for reimbursement to counties for district attorney salaries – and the dollar reimbursement for each county: Governor Cuomo's enacted Aid to Localities Budget Bill for fiscal year 2019-2020: #S.1503-D/A.2003-D

Governor Cuomo's enacted Aid to Localities Budget Bill #S.1503-D/A.2003-D for the current fiscal year, 2019-2020 (at pp. 66-67) – as, likewise his proposed Aid to Localities Budget Bill #S.1503/A.2003 (at p. 48) – contains an entry for the Division of Criminal Justice Services which begins with the words: "For grants to counties for district attorney salaries". It reads:

"Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivisions 10 and 11 of section 700 of the county law or any other law to the contrary, for state fiscal year 2019-20 the state reimbursement to counties for district attorney salaries shall be distributed according to a plan developed by the commissioner of criminal justice services, and approved by the director of the budget (20244) ..... 4,212,000"  
(underlining added).

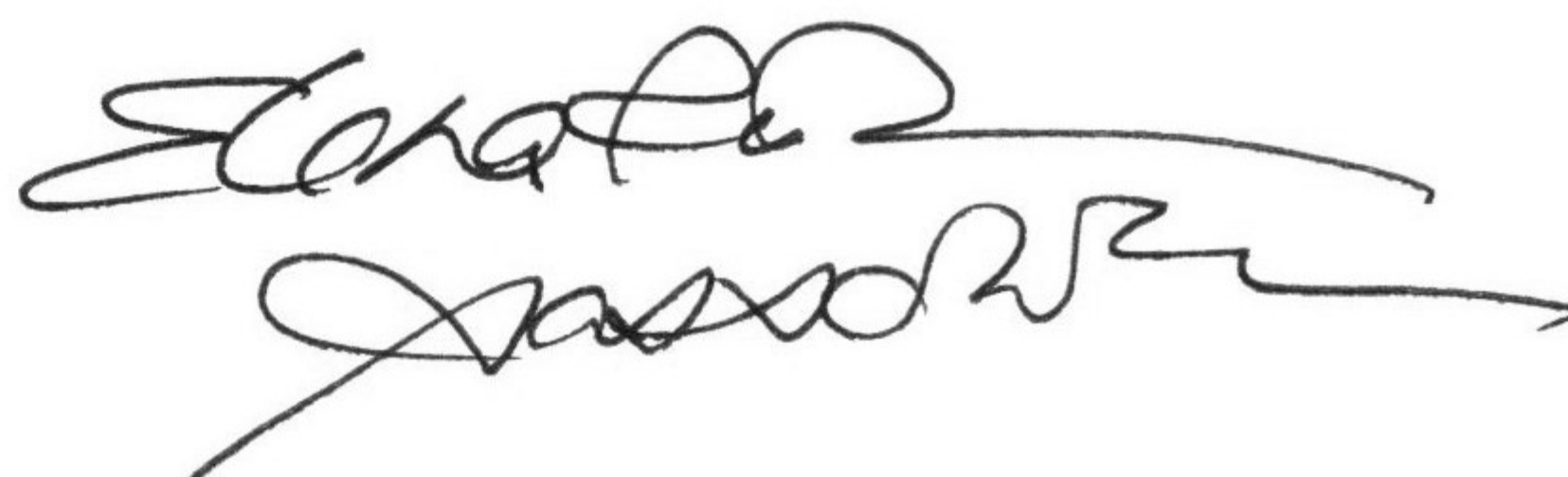
For your convenience, a copy of pages 66-67 of the enacted bill is attached.

Pursuant to FOIL, request is made for the referred-to "plan prepared by the commissioner of criminal justice services and approved by the director of the budget" for this fiscal year – including records identifying the plan's dollar reimbursement for district attorney salaries to each county and the date the "plan" was "developed" and "approved".

Additionally, please furnish records reflecting what the indicated "(20244)" refers to.

Pursuant to Public Officers Law §89.3, your response/acknowledgment is required "within five business days" of your receipt of this request. I would appreciate if you e-mailed it to me at [elena@judgewatch.org](mailto:elena@judgewatch.org).

Thank you.





DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES

fiscal year  
2019-2020

AID TO LOCALITIES 2019-20

1 For payment according to the following schedule:

2		APPROPRIATIONS	REAPPROPRIATIONS
3	General Fund .....	155,854,000	160,502,564
4	Special Revenue Funds - Federal ....	29,900,000	98,814,500
5	Special Revenue Funds - Other .....	25,339,000	30,587,158
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7	All Funds .....	211,093,000	289,904,222
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9 SCHEDULE

10 CRIME PREVENTION AND REDUCTION STRATEGIES PROGRAM ..... 211,093,000  
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12 General Fund  
13 Local Assistance Account - 10000

14 For prosecutorial services of counties, to  
15 be distributed in the same manner as the  
16 prior year or through a competitive proc-  
17 ess. The funds hereby appropriated are to  
18 be available for payment of liabilities  
19 heretofore accrued or hereafter accrued  
20 (20241) ..... 8,957,000

21 For payment to the New York state district  
22 attorneys association and the New York  
23 state prosecutors training institute for  
24 services and expenses related to the pros-  
25 ecution of crimes and the provision of  
26 continuing legal education, training, and  
27 support for medicaid fraud prosecution.  
28 The funds hereby appropriated are to be  
29 available for payment of liabilities here-  
30 tofore accrued or hereafter accrued  
31 (20242) ..... 2,178,000

32 For services and expenses associated with a  
33 witness protection program pursuant to a  
34 plan developed by the commissioner of the  
35 division of criminal justice services. The  
36 funds hereby appropriated are to be avail-  
37 able for payment of liabilities heretofore  
38 accrued or hereafter accrued (20243) ..... 287,000

39 For grants to counties for district attorney  
40 salaries. Notwithstanding the provisions  
41 of subdivisions 10 and 11 of section 700  
42 of the county law or any other law to the  
43 contrary, for state fiscal year 2019-20  
44 the state reimbursement to counties for  
45 district attorney salaries shall be

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## DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES

AID TO LOCALITIES 2019-20

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1 distributed according to a plan developed  
2 by the commissioner of criminal justice  
3 services, and approved by the director of  
4 the budget (20244) ..... 4,212,000  
5 Payment of state aid for expenses of the  
6 special narcotics prosecutor. The funds  
7 hereby appropriated are to be available  
8 for payment of liabilities heretofore  
9 accrued or hereafter accrued (20245) ..... 825,000  
10 For payment of state aid for expenses of  
11 crime laboratories for accreditation,  
12 training, capacity enhancement and lab  
13 related services to maintain the quality  
14 and reliability of forensic services to  
15 criminal justice agencies, to be distrib-  
16 uted pursuant to a plan prepared by the  
17 commissioner of the division of criminal  
18 justice services and approved by the  
19 director of the budget. Some of these  
20 funds herein appropriated may be trans-  
21 ferred to state operations and may be  
22 suballocated to other state agencies  
23 (20205) ..... 6,273,000  
24 For reimbursement of the services and  
25 expenses of municipal corporations, public  
26 authorities, the division of state police,  
27 authorized police departments of state  
28 public authorities or regional state park  
29 commissions for the purchase of ballistic  
30 soft body armor vests, such sum shall be  
31 payable on the audit and warrant of the  
32 state comptroller on vouchers certified by  
33 the commissioner of the division of crimi-  
34 nal justice services and the chief admin-  
35 istrative officer of the municipal corpo-  
36 ration, public authority, or state entity  
37 making requisition and purchase of such  
38 vests. A portion of these funds may be  
39 transferred to state operations and may be  
40 suballocated to other state agencies. The  
41 funds hereby appropriated are to be avail-  
42 able for payment of liabilities heretofore  
43 accrued or hereafter accrued (20207) ..... 1,350,000  
44 For services and expenses of programs aimed  
45 at reducing the risk of re-offending, to  
46 be distributed pursuant to a plan prepared  
47 by the commissioner of the division of  
48 criminal justice services and approved by  
49 the director of the budget (20249) ..... 3,842,000  
50 For services and expenses of project GIVE as  
51 allocated pursuant to a plan prepared by  
52 the commissioner of criminal justice