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Subject: FW: FOIL REQUEST: Enacted Aid to Localities Budget Bills for FY2023-24, FY2022-23, FY2021-22 --the "plan" for reimbursement to counties for D.A. salaries - & the dollar reimbursement to each county, etc.

Dear Elena Sassower:

This will acknowledge receipt of your request for records under the Freedom of Information Law received by the Division of Criminal Justice Services on February 20, 2024. The request was for “the referred-to “plan prepared by the commissioner of criminal justice services and approved by the director of the budget” for each of these three fiscal years – including records identifying the plan’s dollar reimbursement for district attorney salaries to each county and the date the “plan” was “developed” and “approved.”

Your request has been forwarded to the appropriate program area(s) to identify documents that are responsive to your request and which may be made available pursuant to all applicable provisions of the Freedom of Information Law.

A determination as to whether your request is granted or denied will be reached in approximately 20 business days or we will notify you in writing if the responsible program area(s) should require additional time to locate, assemble and review documents that may be responsive to your request.

Please note that, pursuant to Article 6 of the Public Officers Law, a charge may be applied to your request, including the actual cost of the medium used to respond to your Freedom of Information Law request and/or other related costs. When responsive records have been identified, you will be informed of any cost and how payment should be made.

Very truly yours,

Brian Garvey, Esq.
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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <elena@judgewatch.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 2:20 PM
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**TO: Records Access Officer/Division of Criminal Justice Services
Records Access Officer/Division of the Budget**

Enacted Aid to Localities Budget Bill for FY2023-24, #S.4003-D/A.3003-D, reads, at p. 105:

"For grants to counties for district attorney salaries. 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 2023-24 40 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";

Enacted Aid to Localities Budget Bill for FY2022-23, #S.8003-D/A.9003-D, reads, at p. 95:

"For grants to counties for district attorney salaries. 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 2022-23 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";

Enacted Aid to Localities Budget Bill for FY2021-22, #S2503-C/A.3003-C, reads, at p. 82:

"For grants to counties for district attorney salaries. 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 2021-22 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".

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 each of these three fiscal years – including records identifying the plan's dollar reimbursement for district attorney salaries to each county and the date the "plan" was "developed" and "approved".

Pursuant to Public Officers Law §89.3, your responses/acknowledgments are required "within five business days" of your receipt of this request.

Thank you.

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