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SENATE BILL NO. 613

Offered January 15, 2014

A BILL to amend and reenact § 66-31 of the Code of Virginia and to add in Chapter 3 of Title 66 sections numbered 66-36 and 66-37, relating to a juvenile delinquency prevention and youth development programs savings grants.

Patron—Locke

Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 66-31 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted and that the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Chapter 3 of Title 66 sections numbered 66-36 and 66-37 as follows:

§ 66-31. Funding; records to be kept by localities; use of funds.

A. Grants made to a county or city or combination thereof pursuant to this chapter shall be of an amount up to seventy-five 75 percent of the total program budget for the proposed program for salaries and all other operating expenses including the lease of facilities, subject to funds provided by the General Assembly.

B. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A, the Director may provide additional funding in excess of 75 percent of the total program budget when additional funds are awarded pursuant to § 66-37.

Each county and city receiving moneys under this chapter shall keep records of receipts and disbursements thereof which records shall be open for audit and evaluation by the appropriate state authorities.

C. Participating counties and cities may not use funds provided under this chapter to decrease those funds allocated by the governing body for existing citizen boards as provided for in § 66-34 hereof with the exception of those programs being funded by federal grant moneys.

§ 66-36. Juvenile Delinquency Prevention and Youth Development Programs Savings Fund.

There is hereby created in the state treasury a special nonreverting fund to be known as the Juvenile Delinquency Prevention and Youth Development Programs Savings Fund, referred to in this section as "the Fund." The Fund shall be established on the books of the Comptroller. All funds as may be appropriated by the General Assembly for such purpose shall be paid into the state treasury and credited to the Fund. Interest earned on moneys in the Fund shall remain in the Fund and be credited to it. Any moneys remaining in the Fund, including interest thereon, at the end of each fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund but shall remain in the Fund. Moneys in the Fund shall be used solely for the purposes of providing additional funding for juvenile delinquency prevention and youth development programs in accordance with § 66-37. Expenditures and disbursements from the Fund shall be made by the State Treasurer on warrants issued by the Comptroller upon written request signed by Director.

§ 66-37. Juvenile Delinguency Prevention and Youth Development Programs Savings Grants.

- A. As used in this section, "qualifying program" means any juvenile delinquency prevention or youth development program operated by a local governing body or private nonprofit or for-profit youth service agency in accordance with the provisions of this chapter that can demonstrate program outcomes resulting in quantifiable fiscal savings to the Commonwealth in a calendar year.
- B. Beginning July 1, 2015, a qualifying program may apply for a grant in an amount equal to 50 percent of the total amount of savings to the Commonwealth that the qualifying program can demonstrate resulted from the operation of the qualifying program for the previous calendar year. Applications for grants shall be submitted in accordance with regulations of the Board. Grants shall be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. In the event that the amount of eligible grants requested in a fiscal year exceeds the funds available in the Fund, such grants shall be paid in the next fiscal year in which funds are available.