

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Office of the Attorney General

Enhanced antitrust enforcement

\$3.4 million Anti-Trust Revolving Account

Increases efforts to enforce fair competition laws in Washington by investigating antitrust allegations. Additional staffing will allow the division to enhance its enforcement efforts and recover more damages and restitution on behalf of the state and consumers.

Provide expert witness assistance in utility cases

\$639,000 Public Service Revolving Account-State

Funds additional expert witnesses for the Attorney General's Office as it represents residential and small business utility customers before the Utilities and Transportation Commission and other forums. The number and complexity of regulatory proceedings in which the public counsel unit represents utility customers has grown significantly. This funding will allow the AGO to better advocate for lower utility rates on behalf of utility customers.

Legal services for the Medical Quality Assurance Commission

\$313,000 Legal Services Revolving Account-State

Increases legal support to the Department of Health's Medical Quality Assurance Commission. This will allow the AGO to more aggressively and expeditiously defend the commission in cases in which a doctor has been suspended due to allegations that patients have been put at risk of harm.

Department of Commerce

Summit-to-Sea Puyallup River watershed project

\$11.7 million General Fund-Federal

Authorizes use of a federal National Disaster Resilience Competition grant for projects to help communities in the Puyallup River watershed recover from a 2012 winter storm that caused severe flooding and other damage. Grant funds will also help affected communities develop strategies, systems and tools to more quickly recover from natural disasters.

Help cities and counties update their growth management plans

\$500,000 General Fund-State

Provides grants to help 192 of Washington's smallest cities and counties update their comprehensive plans.

Coordinate land use planning around military bases

\$98,000 GF-S

Provides matching funds to secure a federal grant to ensure local land use planning decisions better align with the operational needs and missions of military bases. With the grant, the department will complete an analysis of military bases and training areas, integrate Department of Defense joint land-use studies in a state strategy and make recommendations to maintain compatible land uses.

Consolidated Technology Services

Secure Access Washington portal

\$2.7 million Consolidated Technology Services Revolving Account

Continues expansion of the Secure Access Washington portal, which allows state employees and the public to remotely and securely access state agency data and applications. Funding will pay for hardware, software and licensing fees. Portal usage has more than doubled since 2013.

Military Department

Disaster recovery

\$66.6 million Disaster Response Account-State and Federal

Continues projects necessary to recover from previously declared disasters, including the 2015 wildfires in Central and Eastern Washington.

Next Generation 911 network transition

\$5.6 million Enhanced 911 Account-State

Transitions from an analog-based 911 system to an IP-based 911 network. Funding will cover higher-than-budgeted network costs during the transition and hardware required by the new system.

National Guard firefighter training

\$392,000 Disaster Response Account-State

Prepares for wildland fire emergencies by providing pay and allowance, logistics, lodging and transportation costs to 250 National Guard soldiers and airmen while they attend fire suppression training. Purchases necessary boots, liners and socks.

Catastrophic emergency planning

\$99,000 Disaster Response Account-State

Continues planning for a Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake and other catastrophic emergencies. Funds a catastrophic emergency planner who will work with state and local governments and nongovernmental organizations to develop plans for catastrophic events such as major earthquakes, tsunamis, volcanic eruptions and terrorist attacks.

Office of Regulatory Innovation and Assistance

Reduce the cost of business

\$300,000 GF-S

Partners with state agencies to continue identification of regulations that cause unnecessary administrative burden to businesses in Washington and identifies opportunities to reduce those burdens. This will make it less expensive for businesses to comply with state regulations and will promote economic growth.