

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2026 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

### **House Bill 5282**

By Delegates Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker) and

Hornbuckle

(By Request of the Executive)

[Introduced February 06, 2026; referred to the

Committee on Finance]

1 A BILL supplementing and amending the appropriations of public moneys out of the Treasury from  
2 the balance of moneys remaining as an unappropriated surplus balance in the State Fund,  
3 General Revenue, to the Department of Administration, Public Defender Services, fund  
4 0226, fiscal year 2026, organization 0221, by adding new items of appropriation for the  
5 fiscal year ending June 30, 2026.

1 WHEREAS, The Governor submitted the Executive Budget Document to the Legislature  
2 on January 14, 2026, containing a statement of the State Fund, General Revenue, setting forth  
3 therein the cash balance as of July 1, 2025, and further included the estimate of revenue for the  
4 fiscal year 2026, less net appropriation balances forwarded and regular and surplus  
5 appropriations for the fiscal year 2026, and further included recommended expirations to the  
6 unappropriated surplus balance of the State Fund, General Revenue; and

7 WHEREAS, It appears from the Governor's Statement of the State Fund, General  
8 Revenue, there now remains an unappropriated surplus balance in the Treasury which is available  
9 for appropriation during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026; therefore

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

1 That the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, to fund 0226, fiscal  
2 year 2026, organization 0221, be supplemented and amended by adding new items of  
3 appropriation as follows:

## 4 **TITLE II – APPROPRIATIONS.**

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

### 1 **DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION**

2 *27 - Public Defender Services*

3 (W.V. Code Chapter 29)

4 Fund 0226 FY 2026 Org 0221

5 **General**

		<b>Appro- priation</b>	<b>Revenue Fund</b>
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8	6a Public Defender Corporations – Surplus (R).....	35299	2,600,000
9	7a Appointed Counsel Fees – Surplus (R)	43500	15,000,000

NOTE: purpose of this supplemental appropriation bill is to add new items of appropriation in the aforesaid account for the designated spending unit for expenditure during the fiscal year 2026.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.