

Budget Brief – Youth Parole Authority

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SUMMARY

The Youth Parole Authority has responsibility for parole release, rescission, revocation, and graduation from the system for youth offenders committed to the Division of Juvenile Justice Services (DJJS) for secure confinement. The authority determines when and under what conditions youth offenders are eligible for parole.

ISSUES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The need for juvenile justice services is growing. DJJS has added two facilities since 2005 and is seeking funding to open a third in FY 2007. With this increasing workload, the Youth Parole Authority has effectively managed their responsibilities without a budget increase.

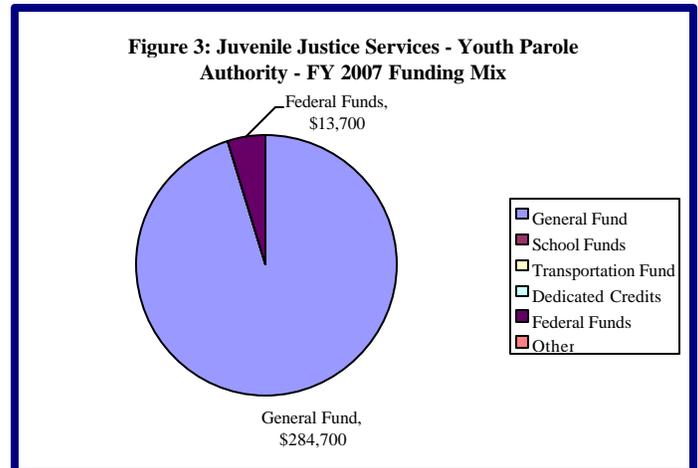
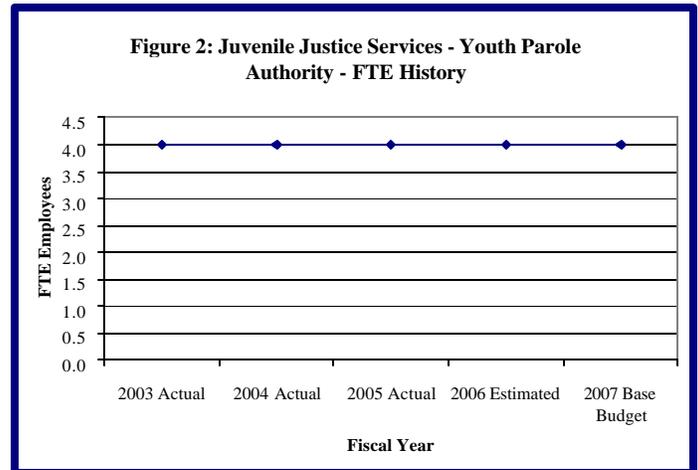
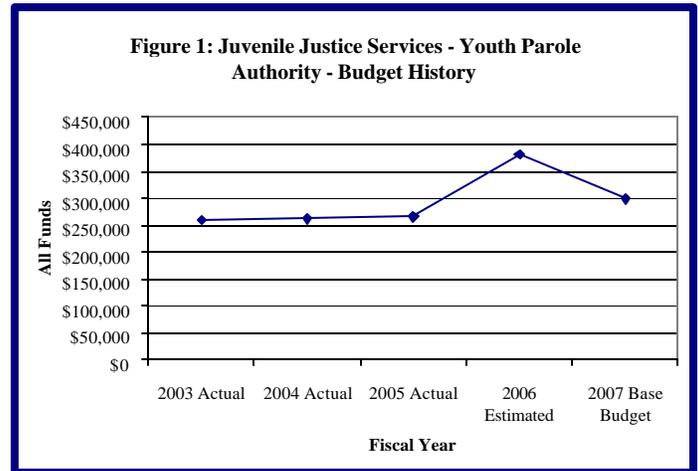
Youth Parole Authority responsibilities are similar to the Board of Pardons and Parole in the Adult Correctional System.

ACCOUNTABILITY DETAIL

The Authority’s efforts can enhance the services of the programs and operations of the Division in general. This can be done by assessing the length of time served versus the length of time imposed by the guidelines. Also, reviewing each case to ensure competency treatment as well as measuring:

- Educational skills
- Vocational skills
- Deterrence from further substance abuse
- Positive adjustment to parole status

The performance measure submitted by the Youth Parole Authority is a caseload indicator instead of an outcome goal. The Youth Parole Authority conducted 875 hearings last year—a two percent increase in output.



BUDGET DETAIL

The Authority has not requested additional funding for FY 2007. Due to the size of the Authority's budget, the Analyst recommends that Youth Parole line item be combined with the DJJS Programs and Operations line item.

Intent Language

The Analyst recommends the continuation of the following Legislative intent language: *It is the intent of the Legislature that the funds for the Youth Parole Authority line item shall not lapse.*

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

1. The Analyst recommends a base budget for the Youth Parole Authority of \$298,400.
2. Approve the intent language granting nonlapsing status to the Youth Parole Authority.
3. Consider combining the Youth Parole Authority Line item with the DJJS Programs and Operations line item.

BUDGET DETAIL TABLE

Juvenile Justice Services - Youth Parole Authority						
	FY 2005	FY 2006		FY 2006		FY 2007*
Sources of Finance	Actual	Appropriated	Changes	Revised	Changes	Base Budget
General Fund	273,000	284,700	0	284,700	0	284,700
General Fund, One-time	2,000	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	13,500	13,700	0	13,700	0	13,700
Beginning Nonlapsing	60,000	0	83,500	83,500	(83,500)	0
Closing Nonlapsing	(83,500)	0	0	0	0	0
Total	\$265,000	\$298,400	\$83,500	\$381,900	(\$83,500)	\$298,400
Programs						
Youth Parole Authority	265,000	298,400	83,500	381,900	(83,500)	298,400
Total	\$265,000	\$298,400	\$83,500	\$381,900	(\$83,500)	\$298,400
Categories of Expenditure						
Personal Services	239,600	277,100	(11,300)	265,800	(100)	265,700
In-State Travel	11,500	10,100	1,000	11,100	0	11,100
Out of State Travel	10,500	0	11,000	11,000	0	11,000
Current Expense	0	9,900	(7,900)	2,000	0	2,000
DP Current Expense	3,400	1,300	(1,300)	0	0	0
Other Charges/Pass Thru	0	0	92,000	92,000	(83,400)	8,600
Total	\$265,000	\$298,400	\$83,500	\$381,900	(\$83,500)	\$298,400
Other Data						
Budgeted FTE	4.0	4.0	0.0	4.0	0.0	4.0

*Does not include amounts in excess of subcommittee's state fund allocation that may be recommended by the Fiscal Analyst.