

STATE OPERATIONS BUDGET BILL
(Senate 2800-A and Assembly 4000-A)

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND COMMUNITY SUPERVISION

The amendment changes appropriation language to make the recommendations of the prison closure task force, which has been created by executive order, binding on the commissioner. The commissioner would be required to implement the recommendations approved by a majority of the task force, unless those recommendations were not in accord with the terms of the executive order.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

The amendment specifies Commissioner of Health authority to enter into contracts funded by Office of Health Insurance Program (OHIP) appropriation for the Federal health care reform grants for Early Innovators.

AID TO LOCALITIES BUDGET BILL
(Senate 2803-A and Assembly 4003-A)

PREAMBLE

The amendment will allow certain School Aid and Medicaid appropriations to be available in State fiscal years 2011-12 and 2012-13.

STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

The amendments increase appropriations for School Aid by a total of \$19.98 billion to support payments in the 2012-13 State fiscal year. Growth in total School Aid for the 2012-13 school year is limited to the five year average increase in New York personal income measured from the 2005-06 State fiscal year through the 2009-10 State fiscal year. A formula-based Gap Elimination Adjustment will be implemented to maintain the rate of increase at this level unless a chapter of law is enacted prior to April 1, 2012 that establishes formulae to ensure such limitation is achieved.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Child Health Insurance Program

- Amends the Child Health Plus Program appropriations to reflect savings related to instituting co-payments pursuant to the recommendations of the Governor's Medicaid Redesign Team. This recommendation is expected to result in \$2.7 million in Financial Plan savings.

Medical Assistance Administration Program

- Adds language and additional funding to extend the life of the Medicaid Administration appropriation for two years through State Fiscal Year 2012-13.

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- Adds language and additional funding to extend the life of the Medicaid appropriation for two years through State Fiscal Year 2012-13.
- Amends Medicaid local assistance appropriations to reflect the recommendations of the Governor's Medicaid Redesign Team. These recommendations reduce costs and increase quality and efficiency in the Medicaid program. Over the two year life of the appropriations these programmatic reforms, in combination with a State share cap on expenditure growth result in nearly \$7 billion in Financial Plan savings.