

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

February 2, 2022

Introduced by Sen. KAPLAN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Finance

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to creating the criminal justice infrastructure investment grant program; and making an appropriation therefor

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The executive law is amended by adding a new section 839-a
2 to read as follows:

3 § 839-a. Criminal justice infrastructure investment grant program. 1.
4 There is hereby created within the division a criminal justice infras-
5 tructure investment grant program to be administered by the commissioner
6 to award grants to provide for hardware and software to be used to
7 assist with discovery, speedy trials and bail including, but not limited
8 to, computers, laptops, high speed printers, optical scanners, modems,
9 routers, high speed fiber optics cable, cloud storage and electronic
10 monitors.

11 2. Any department of any municipality having responsibility for
12 enforcing the criminal laws of the state, any court in the unified court
13 system, sheriffs' offices and district attorneys' offices shall be
14 eligible to submit applications to receive funds from the grant program
15 pursuant to this section. A grant may be awarded upon submission of an
16 application to the commissioner and there shall be no minimum grant
17 amount.

18 3. The commissioner shall establish the form and manner in which
19 applications shall be submitted and shall establish guidelines for the
20 program. The department shall review each application for compliance
21 with the eligibility criteria and other requirements set forth in the
22 program guidelines. The department may approve or reject each applica-
23 tion or may return an application for modifications.

24 4. The division shall post on its website the following information
25 with regards to applications approved pursuant to this section:

26 (a) the name of each entity approved to receive a grant;

27 (b) the amount of each grant; and

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 (c) a description of the project or projects that each grant will be
2 used for.

3 § 2. The sum of five hundred million dollars (\$500,000,000), or so
4 much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to the criminal
5 justice infrastructure investment grant program as established pursuant
6 to section 839-a of the executive law from any moneys in the state trea-
7 sury not otherwise appropriated and made immediately available to the
8 division of criminal justice services for the purposes of carrying out
9 the provisions of this act. Such moneys shall be payable on the audit
10 and warrant of the comptroller on vouchers certified or approved by the
11 commissioner of criminal justice services in the manner prescribed by
12 law.

13 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.