



DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES

Annual Report on Department of General Services (DGS)
Design and Cost Review of State Board of Local and Regional
Jails Capital Project Requests

**TO THE CHAIRS OF THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS AND SENATE FINANCE
AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEES, THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND
BUDGET, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**



**COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
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INTRODUCTION

For all jail and regional jail projects with a total cost exceeding \$12,000,000 that the State Board of Local and Regional Jails (the Board) has approved and submitted to the Department of General Services (DGS) by July 1 for review, Item 267 C.3.b.iii, Chapter 1, 2026 Special Session I Virginia Acts of Assembly requires DGS to (i) perform a cost and design review for the project and (ii) inform the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees, the Department of Planning and Budget, and the Department of Corrections of the outcome of its review.

BODY OF THE REPORT

For the period ending July 1, 2026, the Board reported to DGS that it did not receive any projects for review and approval that had a total cost exceeding \$12,000,000 and will not be submitting any projects to DGS for cost and design review during this reporting period. See Attachment A.

CONCLUSION

As a result of the above notification from the Board, DGS did not receive any projects for review and approval that had a total cost exceeding \$12,000,000.

APPENDIXES

See Attachment A.

ATTACHMENT A



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SUBJECT: BLRJ Approved Construction Projects

Pursuant to HB30 of the 2026 General Assembly Session, the 2026-2028 Biennial Budget, Item 385 #A.5.a. directs the State Board of Local and Regional Jails (BLRJ):

"5.a. For those projects with a total cost exceeding \$12,000,000 for which the State Board of Local and Regional Jails (the Board) approves a request, the Board shall (i) submit to the Department of General Services (DGS) as soon as is practicable after Board approval, but no later than July 1, all documents and information requested by DGS to perform a design and cost review of the project at the completion of preliminary design; and (ii) submit to the Department of Planning and Budget by no later than September 15, a summary of the project and a detailed list of the Board-approved costs. Using the project information provided by the Board and the localities, DGS shall provide a cost review of the Board-approved project no later than October 15 and shall inform the Department of Planning and Budget and the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees of the outcome of its review."

Based on this budget language, the BLRJ reports, to date, no receipt of any projects for review or approval with a Total Project Cost exceeding \$12,000,000.

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