

6,846,266

C81C00.04 Securities Division

Provided that the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) is authorized to submit a budget amendment to the Governor to expend \$216,987 from OAG's nonbudgeted securities enforcement recovery account to supplement the agency's fiscal 2009 special fund appropriation.

General Fund Appropriation	1,912,274	
	<u>1,695,287</u>	
Special Fund Appropriation	754,013	2,666,287
		<u>2,449,300</u>

C81C00.05 Consumer Protection Division

Provided that it is the intent of the General Assembly that the budget of the Office of the Attorney General appropriate a certain amount of special funds on an annual basis. The annual special fund appropriation shall be at least 75 percent of the 5-year average of nonbudgeted consumer protection recoveries for the 5 years preceding the year in which the budget is considered.

Further provided that it is the intent of the General Assembly to address the needs of the citizens of Maryland by studying the impact of opening a consumer protection office in suburban Maryland. The Office of the Attorney General (OAG) shall submit a report to the budget committees outlining what efforts the agency has taken to study the impact of opening an office of similar size and scope (two to three employees) to its small offices located in Western and Southern Maryland. At a minimum, the report shall