

Item 0 #1h

Revenues

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Language

Language:

Page 1, line 30, strike "76,278,760" and "114,742,511" and insert "77,764,760" and "116,228,511".

Page 1, line 32, strike "8,512,631,311" and "16,438,660,435" and insert "9,030,364,289" and "16,473,860,435".

Page 1, line 37, strike "8,999,388,289" and "17,437,185,256" and insert "9,031,850,289" and "17,469,647,256".

Page 1, line 48, strike "18,208,548,753" and "36,387,376,870" and insert "18,241,010,753" and "36,419,838,870".

Explanation:

(This amendment to the Revenue Page incorporates the changes to balances and revenue estimates which were included in Governor Gilmore's amendments to House Bill/Senate Bill 29, as introduced.)

Item 0 #2h

Revenues

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Language

Language:

Page 1, line 30, strike "76,278,760" and "114,742,511" and insert "78,355,284" and "116,819,035".

Page 1, line 32, strike "8,512,631,311" and "16,438,660,435" and insert "8,597,137,946" and "16,523,167,070".

Page 1, line 34, strike "410,478,218" and "780,024,130" and insert "411,222,218" and "780,768,130".

Page 1, line 37, strike "8,999,388,289" and "17,437,185,256" and insert "9,086,715,448" and "17,524,512,415".

Page 1, line 41, strike "9,061,025,464" and "18,059,281,388" and insert "9,066,681,892" and "18,064,937,816".

Page 1, line 43, strike "148,135,000" and "486,673,837" and insert "68,900,000" and "407,438,837".

Page 1, line 46, strike "9,209,160,464" and "18,950,191,614" and insert "9,135,581,892" and "18,876,613,042".

Page 1, line 48, strike "18,208,548,753" and "36,387,376,870" and insert "18,222,297,340" and "36,401,125,457".

Explanation:

(This amendment adjusts the additions to balances, revenues, and transfers to reflect changes adopted in the budget and the re-estimate of revenues.)

			Item 86 #1h
Administration	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Council On Information Management	\$0	\$5,000,000	GF

Language:

Page 30, line 14, strike "985,704" and insert "5,985,704".

Page 31, after line 58, insert:

"F. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a special, non-reverting fund to be known as the Century Date Change Compliance Contingency Fund ("the Fund"), into which the sum of \$5.0 million is hereby appropriated from the general fund of the Commonwealth. The Fund shall be established on the books of the Comptroller. Interest earned on moneys in the Fund shall remain in the Fund, and be credited to it. All moneys remaining in the Fund, including interest thereon, at the end of each fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund but shall remain with the Fund. Moneys in the Fund shall be used solely for the purpose of making the Commonwealth's computers, computer applications, and other date-sensitive electronic equipment compliant with the standards necessary to operate such equipment after December 31, 1999. Expenditures and disbursements from the Fund shall be made by the State Treasurer on warrants issued by the Comptroller upon written request signed by the Secretary of Administration upon the recommendation of the Year 2000 Compliance Office Project Director."

Explanation:

(This amendment is self-explanatory.)

Item 86 #2h

Administration

Council On Information
Management

Language

Language:

Page 31, after line 58, insert:

"F. Notwithstanding the provisions of §4-3.02 of this act, the Secretary of Finance may provide interest-free treasury loans to the Project Office for the purpose of assisting agencies' and institutions' efforts to bring their computer information systems into compliance with standards for the century date change which takes place in year 2000. The specific terms and structure of any loan to the Project Office shall be approved by the Secretary of Finance in consultation with the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees or their designees. A treasury loan to the Project Office for this purpose shall be considered bridge financing until permanent financing recommendations are made and approved by the General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment is self-explanatory.)

			Item 92 #1h
Commerce And Trade	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Department Of Housing And Community Development	\$0	\$5,000,000	GF

Language:

Page 33, line 13, strike "48,798,535" and insert "53,798,535".

Page 36 after line 46, insert "M. From these general fund amounts, \$1.4 million to capitalize a special dedicated fund and \$3.5 million to provide a grant and loan program shall be made available the second year to the Virginia Water Project to carry out the recommendations of HJR 554 (1997). An additional \$100,000 shall be used by the Virginia Water Project for start-up and operating costs."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides the Virginia Water Project \$5.0 million from the general fund in FY 1998 to implement the recommendations of HJR 554 (1997), including the establishment of a special fund as well as a grant and loan program.)

			Item 92 #2h
Commerce And Trade	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Department Of Housing And Community Development	\$0	\$547,000	GF

Language:

Page 33, line 13, strike "48,798,535" and insert "49,345,535".

Page 35 line 23, strike "\$1,290,339" and insert "\$1,837,339".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides an additional \$547,000 in FY 1998 in general fund support for the Virginia Water Project's water and wastewater grant program. The program targets low-income Virginians residing in rural areas without access to public water and wastewater services. The amendment would increase the annual level of general fund support for this program to \$1.8 million.)

**Education: Elementary &
Secondary**
Direct Aid To Public Education

FY 96-97
\$359,920

FY 97-98
\$0 GF

Item 138 #1h

Language:

Page 42, line 27, strike "290,761,934" and insert "291,121,854".

Page 44, after line 48, insert "1."

Page 44, after line 52, insert:

"2. Out of the amounts for adult education payments, \$359,920 the second year from the general fund shall be provided to the National Guard Military Youth Corps Program."

Explanation:

(This amendment would provide state matching funds for the National Guard Military Youth Corps program, ChalleNGe.)

**Education: Elementary &
Secondary**
Direct Aid To Public Education

FY 96-97
\$0

FY 97-98
(\$500,000) GF

Item 138 #2h

Language:

Page 42, line 28, strike "296,226,245" and insert "295,726,245".

Explanation:

(This amendment would capture balances anticipated in Financial Assistance for Foster Children Educational Payments.)

**Education: Elementary &
Secondary**
Direct Aid To Public Education

Item 140 #1h

Language

Language:

Page 51, line 39, after "science," insert "history, vocational education, fine arts,".

Explanation:

(This amendment conforms budget language with the Code of Virginia.)

			Item 140 #2h
Education: Elementary & Secondary	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Direct Aid To Public Education	\$0	\$900,000	GF

Language:

Page 50, line 23, strike "2,155,917,130" and insert "2,156,817,130".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides full funding for the At-Risk Four-Year-Olds program at current participation rates.)

			Item 140 #3h
Education: Elementary & Secondary	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Direct Aid To Public Education	\$0	(\$178,057)	GF

Language:

Page 50, line 23, strike "2,155,917,130" and insert "2,155,739,073".

Explanation:

(This amendment captures anticipated balances in the K-3 Reduced Class Size Program.)

			Item 160 #1h
Education: Higher Education	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
State Council Of Higher Education For Virginia	\$0	\$678,000	GF

Language:

Page 75, strike line 53 and insert:

"160. Higher Education Student Financial Assistance (10800) \$27,992,590
\$32,146,090 \$32,824,090

Scholarships (10810) \$27,992,590 \$32,146,090 \$32,824,090

Fund Sources: General \$26,342,250 \$30,495,750 \$31,173,750

Federal Trust \$1,650,340 \$1,650,340

Authority: College Scholarship Assistance Program: Title 23, Chapter 4.4, Code of Virginia; Tuition Assistance Grant Program: Title 23, Chapter 4.1, Code of Virginia.

A. Appropriations in this Item 160 are subject to the conditions specified in Paragraphs B, C, D, E, and F hereof.

B. Those private institutions which participate in the programs provided by the appropriations in this Item shall, upon request by the State Council of Higher Education, submit financial and other information which the Council deems appropriate.

C.1. Out of the amounts for Scholarships the following sums shall be made available for:

a.1) College Scholarship Assistance Program, \$4,413,750 from the general fund and \$1,650,340 in federal funds the first year and \$4,413,750 from the general fund and \$1,650,340 in federal funds the second year.

2) Any general fund amounts designated for the College Scholarship Assistance Program not required for federal maintenance of effort dollars shall be used for Virginia's discretionary financial aid program. Allocations of the discretionary financial aid funds shall be based on the need-based model approved by the State Council of Higher Education.

b. Tuition Assistance Grant Program, \$21,568,000 the first year and \$25,842,000 \$26,520,000 the second year from the general fund designated for undergraduate and graduate students.

c. Virginia Scholars Program, \$235,500 the first year and \$115,000 the second year from the general fund.

d. Virginia Space Grant Consortium Scholarships, \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the second year from the general fund.

2. No amount, or part of an amount, listed for any program specified in Paragraph C. 1. above shall be expended for any other program in this appropriation except for the amounts identified in C.1.a.2.

D. College Scholarship Assistance Program Payments to students out of this appropriation shall not exceed \$5,000 each year per undergraduate and graduate student.

E. Tuition Assistance Grant Program

1.a. Payments to students out of this appropriation shall not exceed \$1,750 the first year and \$2,000 the second year, to qualified undergraduate, graduate, and medical students attending not-for-profit, independent institutions accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, in accordance with §§23-38.12 through 23-38.19, Code of Virginia. Effective July 1, 1997, accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools shall not be required.

b. Any amounts reappropriated from balances in the Tuition Assistance Grant Program on June 30, 1996, estimated to be \$1,000,000, shall be used to provide grants in the amount not to exceed \$1,750 per student in the first year.

2. Any appropriations in the Tuition Assistance Grant Program which are unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 1997, and each succeeding year, shall revert to the general fund. However, no part of the amounts appropriated for tuition assistance grants shall revert to the general fund until all qualified students who apply have received grants of \$1,750 the first year and \$2,000 the second year.

3. Payments out of this appropriation shall be made only under the grant provisions of the program, for all awards made on and after July 1, 1978.

4. Students who have received payment in a previous year will receive preference for payments the following year, provided they continue to satisfy the requirements for eligibility.

5. Students who received loans under either Chapter 4.1 or Chapter 4.4, Code of Virginia, before January 1, 1975, shall be entitled to exercise any of the repayment options available under §23-38.15 (c) or §23-38.49 (d), Code of Virginia.

6. The private institutions which participate in this program shall, during the spring semester previous to the commencement of a new academic year, notify their enrolled and newly admitted students about the availability of tuition assistance awards under the program. The institutions shall certify to the Council that such notification has been completed and shall indicate the method by which it was carried out.

7. Institutions participating in this program must submit annually to the Council copies of audited financial statements.

8. Starting with awards for the 1991-92 academic year, to be eligible for a full year award out of this appropriation, a student's application must have been received by a participating independent college or by the State Council of Higher Education by July 31. Applications received after July 31 but no later than September 14 will be held for consideration if funds are available after July 31 awards have been made. Applications for spring semester only awards must be received by December 1 and will be considered only if funds remain available.

9. Students at the Virginia Women's Institute for Leadership at Mary Baldwin College are not eligible for Tuition Assistance Grants.

F. Virginia Scholars Program Payments to students out of this appropriation shall not exceed \$3,000 each year, and a maximum of \$12,000 to any one recipient for five years of study, in accordance with §§23-38.53:1 through 23-38.53:3, Code of Virginia. Starting in 1994-95, each interested institution of higher education in Virginia shall develop a plan for merit-based scholarships such as the Virginia Scholars Program. The Council shall distribute funds for students receiving this aid for the first time in 1994-95 and thereafter to the individual institutions of higher education according to the approved plan of each institution. Students who received grants in 1993-94 will continue to receive the grants until they exhaust their eligibility."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides additional general fund money to support a shortfall in the Tuition Assistance Grants (TAG) Program in fiscal year 1998. Based on actual student participation at Virginia's private institutions of higher education, the State Council of Higher Education recently revised its projections from 12,921 to 13,260 on the number of students receiving grants, an increase of 339 students over the original projection. The increased funding will maintain the grant award at \$2,000 per student.)

Item 231 #1h

Education: Higher Education

Norfolk State University

Language

Language:

Page 82, strike line 14 and insert:

"231. Educational and General Programs (10000)

Higher Education Instruction (100101)

Higher Education Public Services (100103)

Higher Education Academic Support (100104)

Higher Education Student Services (100105)

Higher Education Institutional Support (100106)

Operation and Maintenance of Plant (100107)

Fund Sources: General

Higher Education Operating

Authority: Title 23, Chapter 13.1, Code of Virginia

\$49,887,885

\$27,721,108

\$439,343

\$4,471,506

\$3,654,643

\$7,603,470

\$5,997,815

\$23,798,210

\$26,089,675

\$52,730,393

\$29,626,962

\$439,343

\$4,621,506

\$3,654,643

\$7,603,470

\$6,784,469

\$25,235,011

\$27,495,382

A. Out of the amount for Educational and General Programs, the following general fund sums shall be made available for special enhancements. The University shall submit within 60 days after the end of each fiscal year to the Secretary of Education a report on the specific uses of this funding.

Enhancement of Academic Programs

Historic Deficiencies

Outreach Programs

First Year

\$698,689

1,006,236

141,605

Second Year

\$698,689

1,006,236

1,846,530

B. Out of the amounts for Educational and General Programs, a maximum of \$70,000 the first year and \$70,000 the second year from the general fund for the Dozoretz National Institute for Minorities in Applied Sciences. No allotment of these funds shall be made until Norfolk State University has certified to the Secretary of Education that funds, in cash, are available to match all or any part of the amount herein made available from the general fund.

C. Out of this appropriation, \$509,400 the first year and \$509,400 the second year from the general fund is provided each year to support Norfolk State University in initiating the Doctor of Social Work degree program approved by the State Council of Higher Education on January 11, 1994.

D. This appropriation includes \$229,541 from the general fund and \$41,676 in nongeneral funds the first year and \$73,138 from the general fund and \$41,676 in nongeneral funds the second year for lease payments to support the cost of equipment purchased with the proceeds of bonds issued by the Virginia College Building Authority. The Director of the Department of Planning and Budget shall transfer to the Virginia College Building Authority on July 1, 1996, the amounts in the first year, and on July 1, 1997, the amounts in the second year to support the authority's debt obligation.

E.1. The Governor is hereby authorized to approve a deficit loan for Norfolk State University to be paid from the general account in an amount not to exceed \$6,500,000 for the remainder of the 1998 fiscal year. The State Comptroller is authorized to release funds to Norfolk State University based on allotments by the Department of Planning and Budget, as required to meet the institution's current financial obligations and commitments during fiscal year 1998.

2. Prior to the release of any funds by the State Comptroller, the University must develop a plan to eliminate the existing deficit and prevent future deficits through the implementation of appropriate financial, administrative, and management actions pursuant to §4-3.02 of the Appropriation Act. Such plan shall also include a schedule for repayment of the deficit loan, subject to approval by the Governor.

3. By November 1, 1998, Norfolk State University shall provide a report to the Governor and the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees on its financial condition and progress toward repayment of the deficit loan.

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Explanation:

(This amendment authorizes a deficit loan, not to exceed \$6.5 million, for Norfolk State University.)

Item 287 #1h

Finance

FY 96-97

FY 97-98

Treasury Board

\$0

(\$174,965) GF

Language:

Page 93, line 26, strike "146,359,407" and insert "146,184,442".

Page 94, line 12, strike "16,791,476" and insert "16,616,511".

Explanation:

(This amendment reduces debt service payments budgeted to support General Obligation Bond projects, based on savings resulting from refinancing certain previously issued bonds at lower interest rates.)

Item 315 #1h

Health And Human Resources

Department Of Health

Language

Language:

Page 101, line 17, strike "4,000,000" and insert "6,000,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment sets aside an additional \$2 million from the federal Safe Drinking Water Act for loans through the Coalfield Water Development Fund to assist with financing new drinking water facilities in southwest Virginia communities. Chapter 924 of the 1997 Acts of Assembly provided \$4 million for this purpose in the second year. This would bring the total amount set aside for loans in southwest Virginia to \$6 million.)

Item 392 #1h

Health And Human Resources	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Department Of Social Services	\$0	(\$1,527,204)	GF
	\$0	(\$2,964,572)	NGF

Language:

Page 109, line 24, strike "282,588,184" and insert "278,096,408".

Explanation:

(This amendment adjusts for an accounting error that resulted in overestimation of the general fund amount needed to replace federally mandated reductions in retained collections used for child support enforcement operations. This technical correction results in a general fund savings without any reduction in spending for program activities.)

			Item 476 #1h
Public Safety	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Department Of Juvenile Justice	\$0	(\$120,000)	GF

Language:

Page 121, line 17, strike "10,420,153" and insert "10,300,153".

Page 122, line 46, strike "5,920,750" and insert "5,800,750".

Explanation:

(This amendment reduces funding for the purchase of private-provider beds based on a slower than projected spending rate.)

			Item 476 #2h
Public Safety	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Department Of Juvenile Justice	\$0	(\$350,000)	GF

Language:

Page 121, line 17, strike "10,420,153" and insert "10,070,153".

Page 123, line 6, strike "2,939,750" and insert "2,589,750".

Explanation:

(This amendment reduces funding for a third juvenile boot camp based on delays by the contractor in opening the facility.)

Item 476 #3h

Public Safety

Department Of Juvenile Justice

FY 96-97

\$0

FY 97-98

(\$50,000) GF

Language:

Page 121, line 17, strike "10,420,153" and insert "10,370,153".

Page 123, strike lines 12 through 16.

Page 123, line 17, strike "3" and insert "2".

Explanation:

(This amendment removes funding for a proposed wilderness work camp for juveniles since the program was canceled and funding to continue the program was not provided in House Bill 30.)

Item 531 #1h

Central Appropriations

Central Appropriations

Language

Language:

Page 131, after line 9 insert:

"K. The Virginia Department of Transportation emergency traffic flow policy for the use of High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) and bus lanes as general traffic lanes of Interstate Route 64 between the I-564 and the I-264/Route 44 interchanges shall be as follows: Westbound HOV and bus lanes shall be used for general traffic when an incident on the conventional westbound lanes blocks one lane of traffic and the project duration of the blocked traffic is five minutes. The same policy shall apply to eastbound HOV and bus lanes on the same route."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides policy direction to the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) on the circumstances that would require the opening of HOV and bus lanes to conventional traffic on Interstate 64 in the Virginia Beach area. Current VDOT policy says the HOV and bus lanes could not be used to restore traffic flow unless a traffic accident or other traffic incident was blocking at least two lanes of conventional traffic and the "projected incident duration" was more than 30 minutes. The amendment changes that policy to one lane and five minutes.)

			Item 531 #2h
Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Central Appropriations	\$0	\$300,000	GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(14,321,280)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. In addition to the amounts provided in Chapter 924, of the 1997 Acts of Assembly, a supplement of \$300,000 from the general fund for Item 95, in the second year, for the sponsorship of the BASS Masters Top 100 Fishing Tournament. The Partnership shall work cooperatively with the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries.

Explanation:

(This amendment is self-explanatory.)

			Item 531 #3h
Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Central Appropriations	\$0	\$1,269,506	GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(13,351,774)".

Page 131 after line 9, insert:

"K. In addition to the amounts provided in Chapter 924 of the 1997 Acts of Assembly, a supplement of \$1,269,506 is provided from the general fund for Item 333, Financial Assistance for Health Services, in the second year."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funds to community services boards for a rate increase in home-based and day support services for mentally disabled persons.)

			Item 531 #4h
Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Central Appropriations	\$0	\$994,654	GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(13,626,626)".

Page 131 after line 9, insert:

"K. In addition to the amounts provided in Chapter 924 of the 1997 Acts of Assembly, a supplement of \$994,654 is provided from the general fund for Item 333, Financial Assistance for Health Services, in the second year."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides state funds to offset the loss of federal funds, to continue services for 243 mentally retarded individuals who no longer qualify for Medicaid.)

			Item 531 #6h
Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Central Appropriations	\$0	\$20,000	GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(14,601,280)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. Included in the amounts provided for in this item is \$20,000 from the general fund in the second year, which shall be transferred to Item 1 of this act to address expenses associated with expansion of certain Committee memberships in the House of Delegates during the 1998 Session of the General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funds for office space and meeting room modifications required by expansion of the Appropriations Committee membership.)

		Item 531 #7h
Central Appropriations		
Central Appropriations		Language

Language:

Page 131 after line 9, insert:

"K. The non-general fund amount provided in Chapter 924, of the 1997 Acts of Assembly, Item 414, Environmental Response and Remediation, for stabilizing the Kim-Stan abandoned waste site, shall be paid to Alleghany County."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides that funds to stabilize the Kim-Stan abandoned waste site be paid to Alleghany County, the entity that will actually contract for the work.)

		Item 531 #8h
Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98
Central Appropriations	\$0	\$103,115 GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(14,518,165)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. Included in the amounts provided for in this Item is \$103,115 from the general fund in the second year, which shall be transferred to Item 1 of this act to address expenses associated with per diem payments to members and aides of the House of Delegates during the 1998 General Assembly Session."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funds for payment of increased per diem payments during annual legislative sessions, based on revised Internal Revenue Service regulations.)

	Item 531 #9h
Central Appropriations	
Central Appropriations	Language

Language:

Page 131 after line 9, insert:

"K.1. In addition to the amounts provided in Chapter 924 of the 1997 Acts of Assembly for Item 83, the Department of Information Technology is authorized to locate the Relay Center for the Department of Deaf and Hard of Hearing in Norton, Virginia. In developing a request for proposals for the Relay Center for the Department of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, the Department shall include provisions requiring that: (1) the Center be located in Norton, Virginia; and (2) employment levels be sufficient to provide high quality services to Virginia customers or no fewer than 100 full-time equivalent positions.

K.2. The Department of Information Technology, in cooperation with the Department for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, the State Corporation Commission, and House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committee staffs, shall conduct a study examining long-term funding options for Relay Center services in future years which do not necessarily rely on the use of a toll."

Explanation:

(This amendment modifies language set out in Chapter 924 of the 1997 Acts of Assembly, Item 83F. which sets out conditions for a request for proposals for the Relay Center for the Department of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Language is modified to specify the continued employment of a workforce sufficient to continue providing high quality services to deaf and hard of hearing citizens in Virginia, having no fewer than 100 positions. In addition, it directs the Department of Information Technology to study funding options, in cooperation with other agency staff, for the future delivery of Relay Center services.)

Item 531 #10h

Central Appropriations
Central Appropriations

FY 96-97
\$0

FY 97-98
\$37,332 GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(14,583,948)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. Included in the amounts provided for in this Item is \$37,332 from the general fund in the second year, which shall be transferred to Item 70 of this act to address reimbursement of expenses for Culpeper County for fiscal year 1997."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funds to reimburse Culpeper County for elections expenses incurred in fiscal year 1997, but for which reimbursement was not requested until fiscal year 1998.)

			Item 531 #12h
Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Central Appropriations	0.00	1.00	FTE

Language:

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. Included in the amounts provided for in this Item is one nongeneral fund position which shall be transferred to Item 77 of this Act to assist Circuit Court Clerks in implementing the recommendations of the Land Records Management Task Force report dated January 1, 1998."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides one additional FTE position to the Compensation Board to assist the Land Records Management Task Force. The source of funds for the position is already in the agency budget, based on a special fee assessment in Circuit Court Clerks offices to support technology improvements at the local level.)

		Item 531 #13h
Central Appropriations		
Central Appropriations		Language

Language:

Page 131 after line 9, insert:

"K. In addition the to the amounts provided in Chapter 924 of the 1997 Virginia Acts of Assembly for Item 552 A.5., this appropriation is not subject to § 4-5.07(b.) of this act."

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates the requirement for local matching funds for the Fluvanna Arts Council.)

Item 531 #14h

Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Central Appropriations	\$0	\$17,197	GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(14,604,083)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. Included in the amounts provided for in this Item is \$17,197 from the general fund in the second year, which shall be transferred to Item 281 of this act to address expenses associated with the State Land Evaluation Advisory Commission's for use value assessments of local property."

Explanation:

(This amendment is self-explanatory.)

Item 531 #15h

Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Central Appropriations	\$0	(\$788,707)	GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(15,409,987)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. Included in the amounts provided for in this item is a reduction of \$788,707 from the general fund in the second year, which shall be allocated to Item 131 of this act to eliminate the teacher liability insurance program as administratively established. Any possible claims submitted and determined to be valid between the effective date of this act and the establishment of the program shall be funded from the Department of General Services self insurance reserve funds."

Explanation:

(This amendment would eliminate the proposed teacher liability insurance program, established administratively using fiscal year 1997 carry forward funds from the testing budget in the Department of Education. Amendments to House Bill 30 would eliminate the program for the 1998-2000 biennium as well.)

Item 531 #17h

Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
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Central Appropriations \$0 (\$5,000,000) NGF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(19,621,280)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. Included in the amounts provided for in this item is a reduction of \$5,000,000 from nongeneral funds in the second year, which shall be allocated to Item C-35.10 of this act."

Explanation:

(This amendment reduces nongeneral funds for the Sports, Wellness and Convocation Center project at Christopher Newport University. A companion amendment to House Bill 30 authorizes the issuance of \$9 bonds for the project, substituting \$5.0 million in bond authorization for this reduction and adding an additional \$5.0 million in bond authority to bring the total funds available for the project to \$20.0 million NGF.)

Item 531 #18h

Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Central Appropriations	\$0	\$10,000	GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(14,611,280)".

Page 131 after line 9, insert:

"K. In addition the to the amounts provided in Chapter 924 of the 1997 Virginia Acts of Assembly for Item 417 C.2., \$10,000 is provided in the second year from the general fund for Belle Grove Plantation."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$10,000 in the second year to Belle Grove Plantation for restoration and rehabilitation of Belle Grove's manor house, selected outbuildings and grounds.)

Item 531 #20h

Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Central Appropriations	\$0	(\$109,783)	GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(14,731,063)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. In addition to the amounts provided in Chapter 924, Acts of Assembly (1997), a reduction of \$109,783 is provided from the general fund for Item 162, Educational and General Programs, Virginia Community College System, in the second year."

Explanation:

(This amendment captures estimated savings from operations and maintenance costs for buildings where the opening date has been delayed. For the Virginia Community College System, it is anticipated that the Economic Development and Business Technology Building at Mountain Empire Community College, the Manassas Amphitheater at Northern Virginia Community College, and the Humanities and Social Sciences Building at Piedmont Virginia Community College will open a few months later than budgeted.)

			Item 531 #21h
Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Central Appropriations	\$0	(\$141,667)	GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(14,762,947)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. In addition to the amounts provided in Chapter 924, Acts of Assembly (1997), a reduction of \$141,667 is provided from the general fund for Item 195, Educational and General Programs, Old Dominion University, in the second year."

Explanation:

(This amendment captures estimated savings from operations and maintenance costs for buildings where the opening date has been delayed. For the Old Dominion University, it is anticipated that the Library Addition project will come on-line a few months later than budgeted.)

			Item 531 #22h
Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Central Appropriations	\$0	(\$7,500)	GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(14,628,780)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. In addition to the amounts provided in Chapter 924, Acts of Assembly (1997), a reduction of \$7,500 is provided from the general fund for Item 169, Educational and General Programs, University of Virginia, in the second year."

Explanation:

(This amendment captures estimated savings from operations and maintenance costs for buildings where the opening date has been delayed. For the University of Virginia, it is anticipated that the Old Multistory Hospital Renovation project will come on-line a few months later than budgeted.)

			Item 531 #23h
Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Central Appropriations	\$0	(\$120,833)	GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(14,742,113)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. In addition to the amounts provided in Chapter 924, Acts of Assembly (1997), a reduction of \$120,833 is provided from the general fund for Item 181, Educational and General Programs, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, in the second year."

Explanation:

(This amendment captures estimated savings from operations and maintenance costs for buildings where the opening date has been delayed. For Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, it is anticipated that the Architecture Building will come on-line a few months later than budgeted.)

		Item 531 #24h
Central Appropriations		
Central Appropriations		Language

Language:

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. Notwithstanding the provisions of Item 464, Chapter 924, of the 1997 Acts of Assembly, it is the intent of the General Assembly that the parcel of land known as Correctional Field Unit #24 be transferred from the Department of Corrections to the Blue Ridge Regional Authority at no charge."

Explanation:

(This amendment is self-explanatory.)

Item 531 #25h

Central Appropriations

Central Appropriations

Language

Language:

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. The Department of Criminal Justice Services, from federal funds, shall provide a grant of up to \$1,300,000 to the Department of Corrections to establish a structured treatment program for youthful offenders at St. Brides Correctional Center and to expand intensive substance treatment services at Botetourt Correctional Field Unit, Virginia Correctional Center for Women, and Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women."

Explanation:

(This amendment is self-explanatory.)

Item 531 #26h

Central Appropriations

Central Appropriations

Language

Language:

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. The Department of Corrections shall seek up to \$1,300,000 in federal funds from the Department of Criminal Justice Services to establish a structured treatment program for youthful offenders at St. Brides Correctional Center and to expand intensive substance treatment services at Botetourt Correctional Field Unit, Virginia Correctional Center for Women, and Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women. A progress report on this effort shall be provided to the Governor and the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committee by June 30, 1998. "

Explanation:

(This amendment is self-explanatory.)

Item 531 #27h

Central Appropriations

Central Appropriations

Language

Language:

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. Notwithstanding the provisions of §2.1-116.22, Code of Virginia, and cl.11, of Chapters 152 and 811 of the 1995 Acts of Assembly, any employee with thirty or more years of service who is involuntarily separated on or after March 1, 1994, after serving in an appointed position, shall be eligible for the benefits conferred under §§2.1-116.23 and 2.1-116.24, Code of Virginia.)

Explanation:

(This amendment extends WTA benefits to career employees who were involuntarily separated after serving in an appointed capacity.)

Item 531 #28h

Central Appropriations

Central Appropriations

FY 96-97

\$0

FY 97-98

(\$34,000) GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(14,655,280)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. Out of the amounts provided in Chapter 924 of the 1997 Acts of Assembly, a reduction of \$34,000 is provided from the general fund for Item 320, Special Health Improvement and Demonstration Programs, in the second year."

Explanation:

(This amendment reduces funding for the Medal of Life program in the second year by \$34,000.)

			Item 531 #29h
Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Central Appropriations	\$0	\$10,000	GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(14,611,280)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. In addition to the amounts provided in Chapter 924 of the 1997 Acts of Assembly, \$10,000 is provided from the general fund for Item 320, Special Health Improvements and Demonstration Services, for costs related to convening a conference on the status of women's health in Virginia."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides an additional \$10,000 in the second year for a conference on women's health.)

			Item 531 #31h
Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Central Appropriations	\$0	(\$3,379,000)	NGF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(18,000,280)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. Included in the amounts provided for in this item is a reduction of \$3,379,000 from enterprise funds of the State Lottery Department in the second year, which shall be allocated to Item 548 of this act, which shall be realized through administrative cost efficiencies and executive management savings by the Department."

Explanation:

(This amendment, along with a companion amendment to House Bill 30, reduces appropriations to the Virginia State Lottery, to hold administrative expenditure growth to 4 percent in the current fiscal year above actual expenditures in fiscal year 1997.)

Item 531 #32h

Central Appropriations

Central Appropriations

Language

Language:

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. The State Comptroller shall withhold from expenditure in the second year an amount estimated at \$590,524, which was appropriated in Item 37 of this act to support public defender activities in the Charlottesville-Albemarle area."

Explanation:

(This amendment corrects an error in the introduced budget, by recognizing that funds appropriated last year to establish a public defender office in the Charlottesville-Albemarle area, will not be needed based on the Governor's veto of the enabling legislation.)

Item 531 #33h

Central Appropriations

Central Appropriations

FY 96-97

\$0

FY 97-98

(\$20,000) GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(14,641,280)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. Included in the amounts provided for in this item is a reduction of \$20,000 in projected balances from the Virginia Commission on the Future of Public Education, which shall be allocated to Item 3 of this act."

Explanation:

(This amendment captures anticipated balances from the Virginia Commission on the Future of Public Education, which has completed its work.)

		Item 531 #34h
Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98
Central Appropriations	\$0	(\$2,695,000) GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(17,316,280)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. Included in the amounts provided for in this Item is a reduction of \$2,695,000 from the general fund in the second year which shall be transferred from Item 438 of this act, and \$1,000,000 from nongeneral funds in the second year from Item 438 of this act which shall remain in the Intensified Drug Enforcement Act Fund and not be expended. These amounts constitute projected balances remaining at the end of fiscal year 1998 from the Community-Oriented Policing Services program in the Department of Criminal Justice Services."

Explanation:

(This amendment is self-explanatory.)

		Item 531 #35h
Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98
Central Appropriations	\$0	(\$500,000) GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(15,121,280)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. Included in the amounts provided for in this Item is a reduction of \$500,000 from the general fund which shall be transferred from Item 457 of this act in the second year. This constitutes savings from personal services costs associated with the delay in opening Fluvanna prison under the Department of Corrections."

Explanation:

(This amendment is self-explanatory.)

			Item 531 #36h
Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Central Appropriations	\$0	(\$692,000)	GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(15,313,280)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. Included in the amounts provided for in this Item is a reduction of \$692,000 from the general fund which shall be transferred from Item 457 of this act in the second year. This constitutes savings associated with the delay in opening new housing units at the Mecklenburg prison under the Department of Corrections."

Explanation:

(This amendment is self-explanatory.)

			Item 531 #37h
Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Central Appropriations	\$0	(\$4,076,968)	GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(18,698,248)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. Included in the amounts provided for in this Item is a reduction of \$4,076,968 from the general fund which shall be transferred from Item 457 of this act in the second year. This constitutes direct inmate cost savings associated with a lower than projected average daily prison population for the year in the Department of Corrections."

Explanation:
(This amendment is self-explanatory.)

			Item 531 #38h
Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Central Appropriations	\$0	(\$160,000)	GF

Language:

Page 129, line 6, strike "(14,621,280)" and insert "(14,781,280)".

Page 131, after line 9, insert:

"K. Included in the amounts provided for in this Item is a reduction of \$160,000 from the general fund which shall be transferred from Item 477.10 of this act in the second year. This constitutes projected balances from aftercare services for youth in the Department of Juvenile Justice."

Explanation:
(This amendment is self-explanatory.)

		Item C-0 #1h
General Conditions		
General Conditions		Language

Language:

Page 142 after line 18 insert:

"199 15,777 0100 \$986,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment reverts unused balances in the central handicapped accessibility account that were earmarked for the Department of Conservation and Recreation.)

			Item C-7 #1h
Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Debt Bonds 9(D)	\$0	\$1,000,000	NGF

Language:

Page 143, line 3, strike "0" and insert "1,000,000".

Page 143, line 20, strike "6,653,000" and insert "7,653,000".

Page 143, line 20, strike "11,153,000" and insert "12,153,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides a supplement of \$1.0 million from auxiliary enterprise funds to cover additional costs associated with a 600 vehicle parking deck project, including the configuration of a nearby road and intersection.)

			Item C-7 #2h
Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Debt Bonds 9(D)	\$0	\$2,400,000	NGF

Language:

Page 143, line 3, strike "0" and insert "2,400,000".

Page 144, after line 8, insert:

"VMI: Barracks Network 16162 2,400,000 2,400,000".

Page 145, after line 6, insert:

"E. Prior to the allotment of funding for the Barracks Network, the following criteria must be met by the Virginia Military Institute: 1) submission of a financial feasibility study to the Department of the Treasury; 2) receipt of a statement certifying financial feasibility by the State Treasurer; 3) submission of a complete capital outlay profile of the project cost to the Department of Planning and Budget; 4) determination of the size, scope, and project cost by the Department of General Services; and, 5) submission of certification to the Department of Planning and Budget that the project does not require a significant increase in student fees."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides 9 (d) debt authorization to install a computer network at Virginia Military Institute for the Barracks contingent on the project's financial feasibility.)

			Item C-7.10 #1h
Central Appropriations	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Debt Bonds 9(D)	\$0	(\$82,635,000)	NGF

Language:

Page 145, line 8, strike "164,135,000" and insert "81,500,000".

Page 145, strike lines 28 and 29.

Page 145, line 37, strike "40,266,000" and "40,266,000" and insert "12,225,000" and "12,225,000".

Page 146, line 9, strike "9,596,000" and "9,596,000" and insert "9,300,000" and "9,300,000".

Page 146, strike line 37.

Page 147, strike lines 14 and 15.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates \$66.6 million in proposed authorizations for tax supported bonded indebtedness and \$16.0 million in other proposed nongeneral fund appropriations, to support five higher education capital projects. Companion amendments provide general fund support for these projects.)

Item C-8.50 #1h

Administration

FY 96-97

FY 97-98

Department Of General Services

\$0

(\$3,500,000)

GF

Language:

Page 148, line 43, strike "19,194,000" and insert "15,694,000".

Page 148, line 44, strike "19,194,000" and insert "15,694,000".

Page 149, strike line 2.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates funding for renovations to the first floor of the Old State Library and Archives. Deferral allows more time to study options for the future use of the entire building and the office needs in the capitol square area.)

Item C-8.50 #2h

Administration

Department Of General Services

Language

Language:

Page 149, strike line 4 through 5.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates language pertaining to the renovations of the Executive Mansion.)

			Item C-17.96 #1h
Education: Higher Education	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Virginia Community College System	\$0	\$400,000	NGF

Language:

Page 150, after line 13, insert:

"C-17.96 New Construction: Natural Science Center, Virginia Western \$400,000
Fund Sources: Trust and Agency \$400,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides authority to expend nongeneral funds to construct a 2,500 gross square feet Natural Science Center Building on the Campus of Virginia Western Community College.)

			Item C-17.96 #2h
Education: Higher Education	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Virginia Community College System	\$0	\$296,000	GF

Language:

Page 150, after line 13, insert:

"C-17.96 New Construction: Midlothian Campus Supplement, John Tyler (15396) \$296,000
Fund Sources: General \$296,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funds to supplement the construction of a new campus in the Midlothian area of Chesterfield County for John Tyler Community College, bringing the total project cost to \$9.6 million. House Bill 29, as introduced, proposed financing this supplement through bonded debt of the Virginia College Building Authority, the debt service for which would be paid over time by the general fund.)

			Item C-20.96 #1h
Education: Higher Education	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
University of Virginia	\$0	\$9,800,000	GF
	\$0	\$16,000,000	NGF

Language:

Page 151, after line 10, insert:

"C-20.96 New Construction: Special Collections Library (15598) \$25,800,000
Fund Sources: General \$9,800,000
Higher Education Operating \$16,000,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funds to construct a new 80,000 gross square feet Special Collections Library at the University of Virginia. House Bill 29, as introduced, proposed financing the general fund portion of the project through bonded debt of the Virginia College Building Authority, the debt service for which would be paid over time by the general fund.)

			Item C-20.96 #2h
Education: Higher Education	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
University Of Virginia	\$0	\$600,000	NGF

Language:

Page 151, after line 10, insert"

"C-20.96 New Construction: Newcomb Hall
Expansion Supplement (15400) \$600,000
Fund Sources: Higher Education Operating \$600,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides a nongeneral fund supplement to the Newcomb Hall Student Center expansion project which was recently completed, but which experienced cost overruns. The nongeneral funds will come from auxiliary reserves.)

			Item C-32.81 #1h
Education: Higher Education	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
The College of William and Mary in Virginia	\$0	\$20,500,000	GF

Language:

Page 153, after line 18, insert:

"C-32.81 New Construction: Swem Library
Renovation and Addition (15886) \$20,500,000
Fund Sources: General \$20,500,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funds to renovate and construct an addition to the Swem Library at The College of William and Mary. House Bill 29, as introduced, proposed financing the project through bonded debt of the Virginia College Building Authority, the debt service for which would be paid over time by the general fund.)

			Item C-33.02 #1h
Education: Higher Education	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
Virginia Institute of Marine Science	\$0	\$3,966,000	GF

Language:

Page 153, after line 25, insert:

"C-33.02 Improvements: Renovation and
Expansion of Byrd Hall (16032) \$3,966,000
Fund Sources: General \$3,966,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funds to renovate and provide an addition to the Byrd Hall laboratory at the Virginia Institute of Marine Science. House Bill 29, as introduced, proposed financing the project through bonded debt of the Virginia College Building Authority, the debt service for which would be paid over time by the general fund.)

			Item C-34.31 #1h
Education: Higher Education	FY 96-97	FY 97-98	
James Madison University	\$0	\$24,000,000	GF

Language:

Page 154, after line 5, insert:

"C-34.31 New Construction: College of Integrated Science and Technology, Phase II Infrastructure and Academic Building (15660) \$24,000,000 Fund Sources: General \$24,000,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funds to construct the second academic building associated with the new College of Integrated Science and Technology at James Madison University. House Bill 29, as introduced, proposed financing the project through bonded debt of the Virginia College Building Authority, the debt service for which would be paid over time by the general fund.)

		Item 3-1.01 #1h
Transfers		
Interfund Transfers		Language

Language:

Page 163, line 16, strike "\$2,967,319" and insert "\$3,463,819".

Page 163, line 19, strike "\$1,327,934" and insert "\$1,575,934".

Explanation:

(This amendment updates the methodology for determining the cost of sales tax compliance efforts by the Department of Taxation, consistent with the methodology in House Bill 30, as introduced.)

Item 3-3.06 #1h

General Fund Deposits

Language

Language:

Page 168, after line 29, insert:

"§3-3.06 PAYMENT FOR AVTEX FIBERS SITE

Amounts received in settlement of a lawsuit related to the Avtex Fibers Superfund site, estimated at \$1,082,000 in the second year, shall be deposited to the general fund to reimburse the Commonwealth for general fund expenditures it incurred in prior years related to this site."

Explanation:

(This amendment adds language to Part 3 transfers. When the environmental clean-up of the Avtex site was initially begun by the Commonwealth, it was funded from the general fund. Accordingly, the additional revenue collected in this fiscal year (1998) from settlement of the lawsuit will be deposited into the general fund, since it is a reimbursement of a prior general fund expenditure.)

Item 4-2.02 #1h

Revenues

General Fund Revenue

Language

Language:

Page 170, strike lines 38 through line 42.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates language setting aside any excess revenues at year end above the official estimate for use in effecting personal property tax relief.)

Item 4-6.01 #1h

Positions and Employment

Employee Compensation

Language

Language:

Page 171, after line 38, insert:

"Secretary of the Commonwealth 104,096 108,624 112,969".

Page 177, strike line 4 through 5.

Explanation:

(This amendment sets the annual salary of the Secretary of the Commonwealth at the same level as the other Cabinet Secretaries. The Governor elevated the Secretary of the Commonwealth to Cabinet level by executive order.)