

Floor Amendments to House Bill 5005 Offered by Members of the House Pursuant to Rule 73

Chief Patron: Cole M.	Item 1 #1h	
Legislative Department		
General Assembly of Virginia		Language
Language:		
Page 4, line 3, strike "Not set out." and insert:		
"Enactment of Laws (78200) a sum sufficient, estimated at	\$54,927,913	\$54,908,073
Legislative Sessions (78204)	\$54,927,913	\$54,908,073
Fund Sources:		
General	\$54,927,913	\$54,908,073

Authority: Article IV, Constitution of Virginia.

A. Out of this appropriation, the House of Delegates is funded \$33,609,914 the first year and \$33,595,755 the second year from the general fund. The Senate is funded \$21,317,999 the first year and \$21,312,318 the second year from the general fund.

B. Out of this appropriation shall be paid:

1. The salaries of the Speaker of the House of Delegates and other members, and personnel employed by each House; the mileage of members, officers and employees, including salaries and mileage of members of legislative committees sitting during recess; public printing and related expenses required by or for the General Assembly; and the incidental expenses of the General Assembly (§§ 30-19.11 through 30-19.20, inclusive, and § 30-19.4, Code of Virginia). The salary of the Speaker of the House of Delegates shall be \$36,321 per year. The salaries of other members of the House of Delegates shall be \$17,640 per year. The salaries of the members of the Senate shall be \$18,000 per year.

2. Expenses of the Speaker of the House of Delegates not otherwise reimbursed, \$16,200 each year, to be paid in equal monthly installments during the year.

3. In accordance with § 30-19.4, Code of Virginia, and subject to all other conditions of that section except as otherwise provided in the following paragraphs:

a. \$106,845 per calendar year for the compensation of one or more secretaries of the Speaker of the House of Delegates. Salary increases shall be governed by the provisions of Item 477 of this act.

b. \$291,517 per calendar year for the compensation of one or more legislative assistants of the Speaker of the House of Delegates. Salary increases shall be governed by the provisions of Item 477 of this act.

c. \$202,781 per calendar year for the compensation of one or more secretaries or legislative assistants for the Senate majority and minority leadership, as determined by

the Majority Leader in consultation with the Chair of the Senate Committee on Rules. Salary increases shall be governed by the provisions of Item 477 of this act.

d.1. \$44,125 per calendar year for the compensation of legislative assistants for each member of the House of Delegates and \$49,641 for the compensation of legislative assistants for each member of the Senate. Salary increases granted shall be governed by the provisions of Item 477 of this act.

2. In addition, \$16,547 per calendar year for each member of the House of Delegates and \$11,031 per calendar year for each member of the Senate to provide compensation for additional legislative assistant support costs incurred during the legislative session and in the operation of legislative offices within members' districts. Salary increases granted shall be governed by the provisions of Item 477 of this act.

e. The per diem for each legislative assistant of each member of the General Assembly, including the Speaker of the House of Delegates. Such per diem shall equal the amount authorized per session day for General Assembly members in paragraph B.5, if such legislative assistant maintains a temporary residence during the legislative session or an extension thereof and if the establishment of such temporary residence results from the person's employment by the member. The per diem for a legislative assistant who is domiciled in the City of Richmond or whose domicile is within twenty miles of the Capitol shall equal thirty-five percent of the amount paid to a legislative assistant who maintains a temporary residence during such session. For purposes of this paragraph, (i) a session day shall include such days as shall be established by the Rules Committee of each respective House and (ii) a temporary residence is defined as a residence certified by the member served by the legislative assistant as occupied only by reason of employment during the legislative session or extension thereof. Notwithstanding the provisions of (i) of the preceding sentence, if the House from which the legislative assistant is paid is in adjournment during a regular or special session, he must show to the satisfaction of the Clerk that he worked each day during such adjournment for which such per diem is claimed.

f. A mileage allowance as provided in § 2.2-2823 A, Code of Virginia, and as certified by the member. Such mileage allowance shall be paid to a legislative assistant for one round trip between the City of Richmond and such person's home each week during the legislative session or an extension thereof when such person is maintaining a temporary residence.

g. Per diem and mileage shall be paid only to a person who is paid compensation pursuant to § 30-19.4, Code of Virginia.

h. Not more than one person shall be paid per diem or mileage during a single weekly pay period for serving a member as legislative assistant during a legislative session or extension thereof.

i. No person, by virtue of concurrently serving more than one member, shall be paid mileage or per diem in excess of the daily rates specified in this item.

j. \$70,578 per calendar year additional allowance for secretaries or legislative assistants to the

Majority and Minority Leaders of the House of Delegates and the Senate and for secretaries or legislative assistants to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate , and to the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees. Salary increases shall be governed by the provisions of Item 474 of this act.

4.a All compensation and reimbursement of expenses to members of the General Assembly and non-General Assembly members for attending a meeting described in paragraphs B.4.c., B.4.d., B.5., and B.6. shall be paid solely as provided pursuant to this item.

b. The provisions of paragraphs B.4.c. and B.4.d. of this item shall not apply during any regular session of the General Assembly or extension thereof, or during any special session of the General Assembly; provided, however, that the provisions of such paragraphs shall apply during any recess of the same.

c. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, each General Assembly member shall receive compensation for each day, or portion thereof, of attendance at an official meeting of any joint subcommittee, board, commission, authority, council, compact, or other body that has been created or established by the General Assembly or by resolution of a house of the General Assembly, provided that the member has been appointed to, or designated an official member of, such joint subcommittee, board, commission, authority, council, compact, or other body pursuant to an act of the General Assembly or a resolution of a house of the General Assembly that provides for the appointment or designation.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, each General Assembly member shall also receive compensation for each day, or portion thereof, of attendance at an official meeting of (i) any standing committee or subcommittee thereof of the House of Delegates to which the member has been appointed, (ii) any standing committee or subcommittee thereof or Committee on Rules of the Senate to which the member has been appointed, or (iii) the Joint Rules Committee of the General Assembly. Any official meeting of a subcommittee of any of the committees described in clauses (i), (ii), or (iii) shall also be an official meeting for which the member shall receive compensation.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any General Assembly member whose attendance, in the written opinion of the Chair of (a) any joint subcommittee, board, commission, authority, council, or other body that has been created or established in the legislative branch of state government by the General Assembly or by resolution of a house of the General Assembly; (b) any such standing committee of the House of Delegates or of the Senate; (c) the Committee on Rules of the Senate; or (d) the Joint Rules Committee of the General Assembly, is required at an official meeting of the body shall also receive compensation for each day, or portion thereof, of attendance at such official meeting.

Any General Assembly member receiving compensation pursuant to this paragraph for attending an official meeting shall be reimbursed for his or her reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in attending such meeting. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the reimbursement shall be provided by the respective body holding the meeting or by the entity that supports the work of the body.

d. Compensation to General Assembly members for attendance at any official meeting described under B.4.c.of this item may be at a rate equal to \$300 for each day, or portion thereof, of attendance. If the member attends two or more official meetings during the same day, and at least one of which occurs in the morning and one of which occurs in the afternoon, then the member shall be compensated at a rate of \$400 for the entire day, otherwise compensation is capped at the \$300 per day. If the member attends meetings held electronically, then the member shall be compensated at a rate of no more than \$100 per day. The payment of such compensation shall be subject to the restrictions and limitations set forth in subsections B., C., and G. of § 30-19.12, Code of Virginia. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, compensation to General Assembly members for attendance at such official meetings shall be paid by the offices of the Clerk of the House of Delegates or Clerk of the Senate, as applicable. The body holding the meeting shall as soon as practicable report the member's attendance at any official meeting of such body to the Clerk of the House of Delegates or the Clerk of the Senate, as applicable, in order to facilitate payment of the compensation. Such body shall report the member's attendance in such manner as prescribed by the respective Clerk.

5. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, whenever any General Assembly member is required to travel for official attendance as a representative of the General Assembly at any meeting, conference, seminar, workshop, or conclave, which is not conducted by the Commonwealth of Virginia or any of its agencies or instrumentalities, such member shall be entitled to (i) compensation in an amount not to exceed the per day rate set forth in paragraph B.4.d., and (ii) reimbursement for reasonable and necessary expenses incurred. Such compensation and reimbursement for expenses shall be set by the Speaker of the House of Delegates for members of the House of Delegates and by the Senate Committee on Rules for members of the Senate.

6. The provisions of this paragraph shall apply only to non-General Assembly members (hereinafter, "citizen members") of any (i) board, commission, authority, council, or other body created or established in the legislative branch of state government by the General Assembly or by resolution of a house of the General Assembly, or (ii) joint legislative committee or subcommittee.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any citizen member of any body described in this paragraph who is appointed at the state level, or designated an official member of such body, pursuant to an act of the General Assembly or a resolution of a house of the General Assembly that provides for the appointment or designation, shall receive compensation solely for each day, or portion thereof, of attendance at an official meeting of the same. In no event shall any citizen member be paid compensation for attending a meeting of an advisory committee or other advisory body. Subject to any contrary law that provides for a higher amount of compensation to be paid, compensation shall be paid at the rate of \$50 for each day, or portion thereof, of attendance at an official meeting.

Such citizen members shall also be reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses

incurred in attending (i) an official meeting of any body described in this paragraph, or (ii) a meeting of an advisory committee or advisory body of any body described in this paragraph.

Compensation and reimbursement of expenses to such citizen members shall be paid by the body holding the meeting (or for meetings of advisory committees or advisory bodies, the body on whose behalf the meeting is being held) or by the entity that supports the work of the body.

A citizen member, however, who is a full-time employee of the Commonwealth or any of its local political subdivisions, including any full-time faculty member of a public institution of higher education, shall not be entitled to compensation under this paragraph and shall be limited to reimbursement for his reasonable and necessary expenses incurred, which shall be reimbursed by his employer. If such full-time employee who is a citizen member is required by his employer to take annual, family and personal, or other paid leave or unpaid leave to attend an official meeting under this paragraph, then such person shall be reimbursed for his reasonable and necessary expenses incurred by the body holding the meeting, or for meetings of advisory committees or advisory bodies, the body on whose behalf the meeting is being held, or by the entity that supports the work of the body. For the purposes of this paragraph, reasonable and necessary expenses shall exclude the reimbursement for leave taken by a citizen member who is a full-time employee of the Commonwealth.

A citizen member who is also currently a treasurer, sheriff, clerk of court, commissioner of the revenue, or attorney for the Commonwealth by reason of election of the qualified county or city voters shall not be entitled to compensation under this paragraph and shall be limited to reimbursement for his reasonable and necessary expenses incurred, which shall be reimbursed within the budget already established by the Compensation Board and in the same manner as other reasonable and necessary expenses of his office are reimbursed. Full-time employees of one of the foregoing constitutional offices shall also not be entitled to compensation under this paragraph and shall be limited to reimbursement for their reasonable and necessary expenses incurred, which shall be reimbursed within the budget already established by the Compensation and necessary expenses incurred, which shall be reimbursed within the budget already established by the compensation and necessary expenses incurred, which shall be reimbursed within the budget already established by the compensation Board and in the same manner as other reasonable and necessary expenses of the constitutional office are reimbursed.

7. Pursuant to § 30-19.13, Code of Virginia, allowances for expenses of members of the General Assembly during any regular session of the General Assembly or extension thereof or during any special session of the General Assembly shall be paid in an amount not to exceed the maximum daily amount permitted by the Internal Revenue Service under rates established by the U.S. General Services Administration.

8. Allowance for office expenses and supplies of members of the General Assembly, in the amount of \$1,250 for each month of each calendar year. An additional \$500 for each month of each calendar year shall be paid to the Majority and Minority Leaders of the House of Delegates and the Senate and to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, and the Chair or Chairs of the Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee.

9. Notwithstanding any other provision of law or legislative rules, if the member of the General Assembly attends meetings or floor sessions held electronically during any regular or special session of the General Assembly, then the member shall be compensated at a rate of no more than \$100 per day.

C. One legislative assistant of a member of the General Assembly regularly employed on a twelve (12) consecutive month salary basis receiving 60 percent or more of the salary allotted pursuant to paragraph B.3.d.1, may, for the purposes of §§ 51.1-124.3 and 51.1-152, Code of Virginia, be deemed a "state employee" and as such will be eligible for participation in the Virginia Retirement System, the group life insurance plan, the VRS short and long term disability plans, and the state health insurance plan. Upon approval by the Joint Rules Committee, legislative assistants shall be eligible to participate in the short and long-term disability plans sponsored by the Virginia Retirement System pursuant to Chapter 11 of Title 51.1, Code of Virginia. Such legislative assistants shall not receive sick leave and family and personal leave benefits under this plan. Short-term disability benefits shall be payable from the Legislative Reversion Clearing Account.

D. Out of this appropriation the Clerk of the House of Delegates shall pay the routine maintenance and operating expenses of the General Assembly Building as apportioned to the Senate, House of Delegates, Division of Legislative Services, Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission, or other legislative agencies. The funds appropriated to each agency in the Legislative Department for routine maintenance and operating expenses during the current biennium shall be transferred to the account established for this purpose.

E. An amount of up to \$10,000 per year shall be transferred from Item 34 of this act, to reflect equivalent compensation allowances for the Lieutenant Governor as were authorized by the 1994 General Assembly. The Lieutenant Governor shall report such increases to the Speaker of the House and the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee and the Chair of the Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee.

F.1. The Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees shall each appoint four members from their respective committees to a joint subcommittee to review public higher education funding policies and to make recommendations to their respective committees. The objective of the review is to develop policies and formulas to provide the public institutions of higher education with an equitable funding methodology that: (a) recognizes differences in institutional mission; (b) provides incentives for achievement and productivity; (c) recognizes enrollment growth; and (d) establishes funding objectives in areas such as faculty salaries, financial aid, and the appropriate share of educational and general costs that should be borne by resident students. In addition, the review shall include the development of comparable cost data concerning the delivery of higher education through an analysis of the relationship of each public institution to its national peers. The public institutions of higher education and the staff of the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia are directed to provide technical assistance, as required, to the joint subcommittee.

2. The Joint Subcommittee on Higher Education Funding Policies shall conduct an assessment of the adequacy of the current educational and general funding levels for Virginia's public institutions of higher education. The assessment shall be used to develop guidelines against which to measure funding requests for higher education. The assessment shall include, but not be limited to, the following components:

a) Updated student-to-faculty ratios based on current practice or industry norms.

b) Consideration of support staff needs and the changing requirements of support staff due to technology and privatization of services previously performed by the institutions.

c) Costs of instruction, such as equipment, utilities, facilities maintenance, and other nonpersonal services expenses.

d) Recognition of the individual mission of the institution, student characteristics, location, or other factors that may influence the costs of instruction.

e) Benchmarking of the funding guidelines against a group of peer institutions, or other appropriate comparator group, to assess the validity of the guidelines.

f) Means by which measures of institutional performance can be assessed and incorporated into funding and policy guidelines for higher education.

3. The Joint Subcommittee on Higher Education Funding Policies shall develop a more precise methodology for determining funding needs at Virginia's public institutions of higher education related to enrollment growth. The methodology should take into consideration that support staff and operations may need to be expanded when enrollment growth reaches certain levels.

4. The Joint Subcommittee may seek support from the staff of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees, the public institutions of higher education, or other higher education or state agency representatives, as requested by the Joint Subcommittee. At its discretion, the Joint Subcommittee may contract for consulting services.

5. The Joint Subcommittee is hereby continued to provide direction and oversight of higher education funding policies. The Joint Subcommittee shall review and articulate policies and funding methodologies on: (a) the appropriate share of educational and general costs that should be borne by students; (b) student financial aid; (c) undergraduate medical education funding; (d) the mix of full-time and part-time faculty; (e) the mix of in-state and out-of-state students as it relates to tuition policy; and (f) the viability of statewide articulation agreements between four-year and two-year public institutions.

6. a. It is the objective of the General Assembly that funding for Virginia's public colleges and universities shall be based primarily on the funding guidelines outlined in the November, 2001 report of the Joint Subcommittee on Higher Education Funding Policies.

b. Based on the findings and recommendations of its November, 2001 report, the Joint Subcommittee shall coordinate with the State Council of Higher Education, the Secretary of

Education, and the Department of Planning and Budget in incorporating the higher education funding guidelines into the development of budget recommendations.

c. As part of its responsibilities to ensure the fair and equitable distribution and use of public funds among the public institutions of higher education, the State Council of Higher Education shall incorporate the funding guidelines established by the Joint Subcommittee into its budget recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly.

G. The Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees shall each appoint four members from their respective committees to a joint subcommittee to review compensation of state agency heads and cabinet secretaries. The Department of Human Resource Management, the Virginia Retirement System and all other agencies and institutions of the Commonwealth are directed to provide technical assistance, as required, to the joint subcommittee.

H. 1. The Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees shall each appoint up to five members from their respective committees to a joint subcommittee to provide on-going direction and oversight of Standards of Quality funding cost policies and to make recommendations to their respective committees.

2. The Joint Subcommittee on Elementary and Secondary Education Funding shall: a) study the Commonwealth's use of the prevailing salary and cost approaches to funding the Standards of Quality, as compared with alternative approaches, such as a fixed point in time salary base that is increased annually by some minimum percentage or funding the national average teacher salary; and b) review the "federal revenue deduct" methodology, including the current use of a cap on the deduction; and c) review the methodology for establishing a consistent funding cap process for all state funded instructional and certain support positions.

3. The school divisions, the staff of the Virginia Department of Education, and staff of the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission, are directed to provide technical assistance, as required, to the joint subcommittee.

I. The Speaker of the House shall establish the salary for the Clerk of the House of Delegates.

J. The Senate Committee on Rules shall establish the salary for the Clerk of the Senate.

K. Notwithstanding the salaries set out in Items 2, 4, 5, and 6, the Committee on Joint Rules may establish salary ranges for such agency heads consistent with the provisions and salary ranges included in § 4-6.01 of this act.

L. Included within this appropriation is \$15,400 each year from the general fund for expenses related to the Joint Subcommittee on Tax Preferences, pursuant to House Bill 777 of the 2012 Session. This includes \$6,622 each year to be allocated by the Clerk of the Senate and \$8,778 each year to be allocated by the Clerk of the House of Delegates.

M. Included in the appropriations for this item is \$25,000 the first year and \$25,000 the second year from the general fund for the operations of the Virginia Indian Commemorative Commission and the development of a monument commemorating the life, achievements, and

legacy of Native Americans in the Commonwealth.

N.1. The Special Joint Subcommittee to Consult on the Plan to Close State Training Centers shall continue to conduct a review of the assumptions behind the cost and cost savings of implementing the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) settlement agreement including but not limited to a review of the cost of providing care in the state intellectual disability (ID) training centers and in the community and an explanation of the difference in costs.

2. The Joint Subcommittee to Consult on the Plan to Close State Training Centers, in collaboration with the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, shall develop and evaluate a plan for consideration of operating a smaller state training center to serve those individuals for which care in a training center is appropriate. The Joint Subcommittee shall evaluate and determine the operating costs, capital costs, and consider all other relevant factors in developing the plan for consideration.

O. The Joint Commission on Transportation Accountability shall regularly review, and provide oversight of the usage of funding generated pursuant to the provisions of House Bill 2313, 2013 Session of the General Assembly. To this end, by November 15 the Secretary of Transportation, the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority and the Hampton Roads Transportation Accountability Commission shall each prepare a report on the uses of the Intercity Passenger Rail Operating and Capital Funds, the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority Fund, and the Hampton Roads Transportation Fund, respectively, each year to be presented to the Joint Commission on Transportation Accountability.

P.1. There is hereby created in the legislative branch the Virginia World War I and World War II Commemoration Commission. The Commission shall plan, develop, and carry out programs and activities appropriate to commemorate the 100th anniversary of World War I and the 75th anniversary of World War II.

2. The Commission shall have a total membership of ten members consisting of six legislative members, two nonlegislative citizen members, and two ex officio members. Members shall be appointed as follows: four members of the House of Delegates to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates in accordance with the principles of proportional representation contained in the Rules of the House of Delegates; two members of the Senate of Virginia to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules, one nonlegislative citizen member who shall be a World War II historian, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates; one nonlegislative citizen member who shall be a World War II veteran or a family member of a World War II veteran, to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules; and two ex-officio members, to include the Commissioner of the Virginia Department of Veterans Services or his designee and the Executive Director of the Virginia War Memorial. The nonlegislative and ex-officio members shall be non-voting members. The nonlegislative citizen members shall be citizens of the Commonwealth, unless otherwise approved in writing by the chairman of the committee and the respective Clerk, and shall only be reimbursed for travel originating and ending within the Commonwealth of Virginia for the purpose of attending meetings. The voting members of the Commission shall elect a Chair and Vice-Chair from among its

membership, who shall be members of the Virginia General Assembly.

3. Legislative members of the Commission and Advisory Council shall receive such compensation as provided in § 30-19.12, Code of Virginia, and nonlegislative citizen members of the Commission shall receive such compensation for the performance of their duties as provided in § 2.2-2813. All members shall be reimbursed for all reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties as provided in §§ 2.2-2813 and 2.2-2825. Compensation to members of the General Assembly for attendance at official meetings of the Commission shall be paid by the offices of the Clerk of the House of Delegates or Clerk of the Senate, as applicable. All other compensation and expenses shall be paid from existing appropriations to the Commission.

4. There is hereby created in the state treasury a special nonreverting fund to be known as the Virginia World War I and World War II Commemoration Commission Fund, hereafter referred to as the "Fund." The Fund shall be established on the books of the Comptroller and shall consist of gifts, grants, donations, bequests, or other funds from any source as may be received by the Commission for its work. Moneys shall be paid into the state treasury and credited to the Fund. Interest earned on moneys in the Fund shall remain in the Fund and be credited to it. Any 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 in the Fund. Moneys in the Fund shall be used solely for the purpose of enabling the Commission to perform its duties. Expenditures and disbursements from the Fund shall be made by the State Treasurer on warrants issued by the Comptroller upon written request of the Chair of the Commission.

5. The Virginia Department of Veterans Services and the Virginia War Memorial shall provide technical assistance to the Commission. The Division of Legislative Services shall act as the fiscal agent for the Commission. Administrative staff support shall be provided by the Office of the Clerk of the House of Delegates. Legal, research, policy analysis, and other services as requested by the Commission shall be provided by the Division of Legislative Services, and by other state agencies and institutions as may be requested by the Commission. The Director of the Division of Legislative Services is authorized to fund the operations of the Virginia World War I and World War II Commemoration Commission from the appropriations to the Division and to provide full reimbursement to the Division from the unexpended balances of such Commission, once allotted.

6. The Commission may appoint and establish an Advisory Council composed of nonlegislative citizens at large and public officials who have knowledge of World War I and World War II and their respective anniversary commemorations, to serve in a consultative capacity to assist the Commission in its work. Nonlegislative citizen members of the Advisory Council shall serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for travel expenses to attend a meeting of the Advisory Council within the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Advisory Council shall have a Chair and Vice-Chair, one of whom shall be a member of the House of Delegates, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates, and one of whom shall be a member of the Senate, to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules.

Q.1. The Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees shall each appoint up to five members from their respective committees to a Joint Subcommittee for Early Childhood Care and Education to provide ongoing oversight of the implementation of Virginia's unified public-private system for early childhood care and education. The members of the Joint Subcommittee shall elect a chair and vice chair annually.

2. The goals and objectives of the Joint Subcommittee shall be to (i) review the costeffectiveness of federal and state funding used to improve Virginia's early childhood care and education system, (ii) ensure that the transition of child care regulation from the Board of Social Services to the Board of Education occurs seamlessly without impacting health and safety oversight functions, (iii) ensure that the transition of functions from the Department of Social Services to the Department of Education occurs seamlessly without the interruption of the provision of state services or undue impact on the operation of either agency, (iv) review the implementation of the Board of Education's Quality Rating Implementation System, (v) review workforce needs for Virginia's early childhood education system, (vi) further facilitate partnerships between school divisions and private providers for the Virginia Preschool Initiative, (vii) consider recommendations and options included in the 2017 JLARC report on Improving Virginia's Early Childhood Development Programs, and (viii) consider funding methodology changes to transition the Virginia Preschool Initiative funding model to maximize the number of children served, while recognizing prevailing costs.

3. The staff of the Elementary and Secondary Education subcommittees for the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees and the Department of Education will help with facilitating the scope of work to be completed by the Joint Subcommittee. The Virginia Early Childhood Foundation will provide support and resources to the members and staff of the Joint Subcommittee. Other stakeholders, such as those from the Virginia Department of Social Services, the Virginia Community College System, local school divisions, private and faith-based child day-care providers, accredited organizations, education associations and businesses may provide additional information if requested. A report of any findings and recommendations shall be submitted to the Chairs of House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees.

R. 1.a. The Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees shall each appoint four members from their respective committees to a Joint Subcommittee on the Future Competitiveness of Virginia Higher Education to (a) review ways to maintain and improve the quality of higher education, while providing for broad access and affordability; (b) examine the impact of financial, demographic, and competitive changes on the sustainability of individual institutions and the system as a whole; (c) identify best practices to make the system more efficient, including shared services, institutional flexibility, and easily accessible academic pathways; (d) evaluate the use of distance education and online instruction across the Commonwealth and appropriate business models for such programs; (e) review current need-based financial aid programs and alternative models to best provide for student affordability and completion; (f) review the recommendations of the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission on the study of the cost efficiency of higher

education institutions and make recommendations to their respective committees on the implementation of those recommendations; (g) study the effectiveness and value of transfer students; (h) evaluate the effectiveness of dual enrollment in reducing the cost of higher education; and (i) study the effectiveness of preparing teachers to enter the K-12 system.

b. The Subcommittee will also conduct a focused review of access, affordability, quality, and autonomy issues related to Virginia's public higher education system. As part of that review the Subcommittee will explore ways to (a) improve the quality of higher education; (b) review the autonomy and flexibility granted to Virginia's public higher education institutions, including the history of restructuring and the expansion of autonomy; (c) examine access and affordability in higher education, including the cost of education and need-based financial aid programs; (d) review the impact of financial, demographic, and competitive changes on the sustainability of Virginia's public higher education system; and (e) identify any practices that would result in more efficient outcomes regarding cost and completion, including dual enrollment and online programs.

2. As the Joint Subcommittee conducts its analysis, it shall consider the mission, vision, goals and strategies outlined in the statewide strategic plan for higher education developed and approved by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, and endorsed by the General Assembly in House Joint Resolution 555 of the 2015 Session of the General Assembly.

3. As part of its deliberations, the Joint Subcommittee shall review alternative tuition and fee structures and programs that could result in lower costs to in-state undergraduate students.

4. The Joint Subcommittee may seek support and technical assistance from the staff of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees, the public institutions of higher education, the staff of the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission, and the staff of the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia. Other state agency or higher education representatives shall provide support upon request. At its discretion, the Joint Subcommittee may contract for consulting services.

5. The members of the Joint Subcommittee shall provide a final report to their respective committees at the conclusion of the review.

S. The Joint Subcommittee to Evaluate Tax Preferences established pursuant to Chapter 777, 2012 Session of the General Assembly, is hereby directed, as part of its work to undertake a review of the Neighborhood Assistance Act tax credit program and to report to the General Assembly on any proposed changes to the program structure, eligibility requirements, distribution of funding or overall funding amounts made available for the credit.

T.1. The Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees shall each appoint five members from their respective committees to a Joint Subcommittee for Health and Human Resources Oversight to respond to federal health care changes, provide ongoing oversight of the Medicaid and children's health insurance programs and oversight of Health and Human Resources agencies. The members of the Joint Subcommittee shall elect a chair and vice chair annually.

2.a. The Joint Subcommittee shall monitor, evaluate and respond to federal legislation that repeals, amends or replaces the Affordable Care Act (ACA), Medicaid (Title XIX of the Social Security Act), the Children's Health Insurance Program (Title XXI of the Social Security Act) or any proposals to block grant or change the method by which these programs are funded. The joint subcommittee shall recommend actions to be taken by the General Assembly to address the impact of any such federal legislation that would affect the state budget and health care coverage now available to Virginians. Furthermore, the subcommittee shall evaluate federal changes for opportunities to improve Virginia's Medicaid and other health insurance programs.

b. The Joint Subcommittee shall establish a workgroup to monitor the implementation of Medicaid coverage of newly eligible individuals pursuant to the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to ensure (i) the efficient and cost effective use of resources; (ii) innovative and cost effective approaches to Medicaid eligibility screening and renewals, provider accountability, administrative operations, and fraud prevention; and (iii) progress in implementing the Training, Education, Employment and Opportunity Program (TEEOP); (iv) uniform and effective screening for Medicaid eligibility in local and regional jails; and (v) use of private vendors to facilitate successful implementation when cost effective. In addition, the workgroup shall examine the role of the current Certificate of Need program, including a review of past and current studies of the program, in ensuring access to care.

3. The Joint Subcommittee shall provide ongoing oversight of initiatives and operations of the Health and Human Resources agencies. The joint subcommittee shall examine progress made in implementing changes to: (i) Medicaid managed care programs, including managed longterm supports and services (the Commonwealth Coordinated Care Plus program) and changes to the Medallion program; (ii) Medicaid waiver programs including the Medicaid waivers serving individuals with developmental disabilities; (iii) the Medicaid Enterprise System; (iv) improve eligibility, enrollment and renewal processes in the Medicaid and CHIP programs; (v) the organizational structure and realignment of staff and resources of the Department of Medical Assistance Services resulting from the change from a fee-for-service to a managed care delivery system; (vi) improve the cost effective delivery of services through the Comprehensive Services Act; and (vii) initiatives and programmatic changes across the Health and Human Resources agencies to ensure efficient and effective use of resources across the Secretariat, including an assessment of the costs and benefits of transferring the Office for Aging Services of the Division for Community Living in the Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services to the Department of Social Services or establishing it as a stand-alone agency.

4. The Joint Subcommittee may seek support and technical assistance from staff of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees, the staff of the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission, and the staff of the Department of Medical Assistance Services. Other state agency staff shall provide support upon request.

5. The staff of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees

shall help facilitate the scope of work to be completed by the Joint Subcommittee for Health and Human Resources Oversight.

U.1. The Co-Chairs of the Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee shall appoint five members from their Committee and the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee shall appoint four members from his Committee and two members of the House Finance Committee to a Joint Subcommittee on Local Government Fiscal Stress. The Joint Subcommittee shall elect a chair and vice-chair from among its membership.

2. The goals and objectives of the Joint Subcommittee will be to review (i) savings opportunities from increased regional cooperation and consolidation of services, including by jointly operating or merging small school divisions; (ii) local responsibilities for service delivery of state-mandated or high priority programs, (iii) causes of fiscal stress among local governments, (iv) potential financial incentives and other governmental reforms to encourage increased regional cooperation; and (v) the different taxing authorities of cities and counties.

3. Administrative staff support shall be provided by the Office of the Clerks of the House and Senate. The Joint Subcommittee may seek support and technical assistance from the staff of the Division of Legislative Services, House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees, and the Commission on Local Government. All agencies of the Commonwealth shall provide assistance to the Joint Subcommittee for this study, upon request.

4. No recommendation of the Joint Subcommittee shall be adopted if a majority votes against the recommendation. The Joint Subcommittee shall submit to the Division of Legislative Automated Systems an executive summary of its findings and recommendations no later than the first day of the next Regular Session of the General Assembly for each year.

V. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Senate Joint Resolution 47 (2014 Session) Joint Subcommittee Studying Mental Health Services in the Commonwealth in the 21st Century shall continue its work.

W. Pursuant to projects authorized and funded in paragraph E.1 of Item C-39.40 of Chapter 1 of the Acts of Assembly of 2014, operations of the Virginia General Assembly will temporarily move to and operate from the Pocahontas Building bounded by the following streets: 9th Street to the west, 10th Street to the east, Bank Street to the north, and Main Street to the south in the City of Richmond. Space occupied temporarily by the General Assembly shall be under the control of the Legislative Support Commission (§ 30-34.1). Funding for routine maintenance and operations of the temporary space is included in Item 1 of this act.

X. Any nonlegislative citizen member appointed by either the Speaker of the House, the Senate Committee on Rules or the Joint Rules Committee to any Authority, Board, Commission, Committee, or other deliberative body in the Commonwealth shall serve at the pleasure of such appointing authority. Any such member may be relieved of his appointment at any time, with or without cause.

Y. Included within this appropriation is \$19,840 the first year from the general fund for a joint

committee established to study staffing levels, employment conditions, and compensation at the Virginia Department of Corrections pursuant to House Joint Resolution 29 of the 2020 Session of the General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment establishes a per diem for General Assembly members to participate in electronic meetings of \$100 a day .)

	Item 113 #1h	
FY20-21	FY21-22	
\$2,000,000	\$0	GF
		FY20-21 FY21-22

Language:

Page 23, line 39, strike "\$155,060,089" and insert "\$157,060,089".
Page 24, line 38, strike "\$55,000,000" and insert "\$57,000,000".
Page 24, line 44, after "E." insert "1."
Page 24, line 45, after "pandemic" strike "." and insert:
", with the exception of monies provided for the continuation of the Virginia Rent and Mortgage Relief Program in paragraph E.2.

2. Out of the amounts appropriated in paragraph E.1., \$27,000,000 in the first year from the general fund is hereby designated to continue the Virginia Rent and Mortgage Relief Program when monies allocated from the Coronavirus Relief Funds awarded to the Commonwealth through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act (P.L. 116-136) expire."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides an additional \$2 million in the first year from the general fund for the continuation of the Virginia Rent and Mortgage Relief Program in 2021. The additional resources for the program are redirected funds included in the House package to support additional legal aid attorneys to help fight eviction cases.) Chief Patron: Byron

Item 301 #1h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Health

Language:

Page 109, after line 5, insert: "I. No expenditures from general or nongeneral fund sources may be made out of any appropriation by the General Assembly for the BrdsNBz sexual health text line for teens."

Explanation:

(This amendment adds language prohibiting funding of a sexual health test line for teens administered by the Virginia Department of Health. It is the intent of the General Assembly that this item will be set out upon enrolling.)

Chief Patron: Webert

Item 403 #1h

Public Safety and Homeland Security

Department of Criminal Justice Services

Language:

Page 186, after line 29, insert:

"K.1. There is hereby created the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission Accreditation Grant Fund, hereinafter referred to as "the Fund." The Fund shall be used solely for purposes of (i) awarding grants on a competitive basis through the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission Accreditation Grant Program established pursuant to subsection B or (ii) implementing and administering the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission Accreditation Grant Program.

2. The Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission Accreditation Grant Program, hereinafter referred to as "the Program," is hereby established for the purpose of awarding grants on a competitive basis from such funds as may be available from the Fund to law-enforcement agencies to pursue accreditation by the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission. The Program shall be administered by the Department. In administering the Program, the Department shall establish and publish guidelines and criteria for grant awards, including guidelines and criteria governing agreements between the Department and grant recipients. The Department shall oversee each grant awarded through the Program and ensure thorough reporting on each such grant."

Explanation:

(This amendment establishes the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission Accreditation Grant Program to be administered by the Department of Criminal Justice Services. The purpose of the program is to provide grants to law-enforcement agencies pursuing accreditation from the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission.)

Chief Patron: Rush	Item 429 #1h	
Public Safety and Homeland Security Virginia Parole Board		Language
Language:		
Page 191, line 10, strike "Not set out." and insert:		
"Probation and Parole Determination (35200)	\$2,330,525	\$2,330,525
Adult Probation and Parole Services (35201)	\$2,330,525	\$2,330,525
Fund Sources:		
General	\$2,280,525	\$2,280,525
Federal Trust	\$50,000	\$50,000

Authority: Title 53.1, Chapter 4, Code of Virginia.

A. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 53.1-40.01, Code of Virginia, the Parole Board shall annually consider for conditional release those inmates who meet the criteria for conditional geriatric release set out in § 53.1-40.01, Code of Virginia, except that upon any such review the Board may schedule the next review as many as three years thereafter. If any such inmate is also eligible for discretionary parole under the provisions of § 53.1-151 et seq., Code of Virginia, the board shall not be required to consider that inmate for conditional geriatric release unless the inmate petitions the board for conditional geriatric release.

B. Nothwithstanding the provisions of § 53.1-40.01, Code of Virginia, parole shall not be granted to persons convicted of murder as defined in § 18.2-32, Code of Virginia, in cases in which the person was convicted without the body of the victim being found."

Explanation:

(This amendment proposes to make ineligible for parole any individual convicted of murder in cases in which the individual was convicted of murder without the body of the victim being found.)

Chief Patron: Miyares	Item 429 #2h	
Public Safety and Homeland Security Virginia Parole Board		Language
Language:		
Page 191, line 10, strike "Not set out." and insert:		
"Probation and Parole Determination (35200)	\$2,330,525	\$2,330,525
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B. The votes of individual Board members shall be made publicly available in cases in which the inmate has been convicted of a violence offense as defined in §18.2-46.1, Code of Virginia."

Explanation:

(This amendment requires the individual votes of members of the Parole Board to be made publicly available when the individual being considered has been convicted of a violent offense.)

Chief Patron: Brewer		Item 477 #1h	
Central Appropriations	FY20-21	FY21-22	
Central Appropriations	\$18,729,910	\$0	GF
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Language:

Page 204, line 6, strike "\$139,552,150" and insert "\$158,282,060".

Page 204, after line 6, insert:

"CC. Included in the appropriation for this Item is \$1,031,287 from the general fund in the first year, which shall be made available to provide sworn officers of the Department of State Police, who were employed as of November 24, 2020, a one-time bonus payment of \$500 on December 1, 2020.

DD. Included in the appropriation for this Item is \$44,675 from the general fund in the first year, which shall be made available to provide sworn officers of the Division of Capitol Police, who were employed as of November 24, 2020, a one-time bonus payment of \$500 on December 1, 2020.

EE. Included in the appropriation for this Item is \$3,728,996 from the general fund in the first year, which shall be made available to provide sworn staff of the Department of Corrections and the Department of Juvenile Justice, who were employed as of November 24, 2020, a one-time bonus payment of \$500 on December 1, 2020.

FF. Included in the appropriation for this Item is \$622,985 from the general fund in the first year, which shall be made available to provide sworn officers of state agencies and higher education institutions, not otherwise included in paragraphs CC., DD., and EE., who were employed as of November 24, 2020, a one-time bonus payment of \$500 on December 1, 2020. GG. Included in the appropriation for this Item is \$5,518,139 from the general fund in the first year, which shall be made available to provide sworn constitutional officers and their staffs, including sheriffs, sheriffs' deputies, regional jail superintendents and corrections officers, a one-time bonus payment of \$500 on December 1, 2020.

HH. Included in the appropriation for this Item is \$7,783,828 in the first year from the general fund, to be transferred to the Department of Criminal Justice Services, which shall distribute such funds to local police departments statewide for the purpose of providing a one-time bonus payment of \$500 to sworn law-enforcement officers of such police departments to be paid on December 1, 2020."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding of \$18.4 million GF the first year for a \$500 one-time bonus payment, effective December 1, 2020, for sworn state law-enforcement personnel of the Department of State Police, the Division of Capitol Police, the Department of Corrections, the Department of Juvenile Justice, and all other state agencies and higher education institutions, as well as sworn state-supported local constitutional officers and their staffs, and regional jail superintendents and their staffs, and sworn officers of local police departments.)

Chief Patron: Campbell R.		Item 477 #2h	
Central Appropriations	FY20-21	FY21-22	
Central Appropriations	\$0	\$6,917,619	GF

Language:

Page 204, line 6, strike "\$213,830,664" and insert "\$220,748,283".

Page 204, after line 6, insert:

"CC. Included in the appropriation for this Item is \$6,917,619 from the general fund in the second year, which shall be made available to provide sworn constitutional officers and their staffs, including sheriffs, sheriffs' deputies, regional jail superintendents and corrections officers, a 1.5 percent salary increase on August 1, 2021."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding of \$6.9 million GF the second year for a 1.5% salary increase for employees of sheriffs offices and regional jails.)

Chief Patron: Coyner

Item 479.10 #1h

Central Appropriations

Central Appropriations

Language:

Page 204, line 9, strike "Not set out." and insert:

"A.1. The Governor is hereby authorized to appropriate sums to state agencies, institutions of higher education, and other permissible entities the federal funding provided pursuant to the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act (P.L. 116-123), the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (P.L. 116-127), the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act (P.L. 116- 136), and any other federal funding provided through subsequent legislation approved by Congress with regard to the Coronavirus public health emergency. For the purposes of this item, such federal funding shall be referred collectively to as "federal relief funds". All such federal relief funds shall be subject to applicable federal rules and regulations governing these funds. Amounts so allocated are hereby appropriated subject to the provisions and conditions contained in this item.

2. Records Management and Reporting

a. Agencies receiving federal relief funds shall comply with the financial or other data reporting requirements set forth by the State Comptroller or the Director of the Department of Planning and Budget and shall compile and maintain all records necessary to fulfill such reporting requirements and to meet any subsequent audit of the expenditure of such federal funds.

b. Agencies receiving federal relief funds shall comply with all federal reporting requirements for the receipt of any funds and shall compile and maintain all records necessary to fulfill such reporting requirements and to meet any subsequent audit of the expenditure of such federal funds.

c. Agencies receiving federal relief funds shall comply with any requirements established to ensure the transparency of the use or expenditure of such federal funds.

3. The Governor or his designee shall submit a quarterly report to the Chairs of House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees that itemizes any appropriation action of federal relief funds.

4. It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Commonwealth maximize the use of the federal relief funds. The Governor shall take all reasonable actions necessary to apply for federal relief funds. The Governor shall further ensure that funds are appropriated, distributed, and utilized in a manner that is consistent with the provisions of state and federal law.

B. The Governor is authorized to appropriate, within this item or any other item of this act, any revenues deposited to the COVID-19 Relief Fund created pursuant to House Bill 881 and Senate Bill 971 of the 2020 Session of the General Assembly. Such appropriations shall be used for the purposes of responding to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic which shall include,

but not be limited to, i) relief to small businesses, ii) assistance for housing and homelessness, iii) assistance for long term care facilities, and iv) any other purpose designated by the Governor to address the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Governor is authorized to transfer such appropriations and associated revenues to agencies designated to carry out the services required to address the COVID-19 pandemic. The Governor or his designee shall report the use of the COVID-19 Relief Fund to the Chairs of House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees on a quarterly basis.

C. Any reports required by paragraphs A or B above may be submitted electronically. Further, the reporting requirement shall be considered to have been met if the required information is posted on a public website.

D. Any unexpended balance remaining in this item on June 30, 2021, or June 30, 2022, shall be carried forward on the books of the Comptroller and shall be available for expenditure in the next biennium.

E.1. Localities may establish programs to provide funds to parents meeting compulsory attendance requirements in § 22.1-254.A of the Code during the Coronavirus public health emergency by having their children taught by a tutor or teacher of qualifications prescribed by the Board of Education and approved by the division superintendent in lieu of enrollment in the public school system. Such programs may reimburse parents for: (i) tutoring services; (ii) educational therapies or services for students from a practitioner or provider, including paraprofessionals or educational aides; (iii) tuition or fees for a private online learning program; (iv) fees for a nationally standardized norm-referenced achievement test, an Advanced Placement examination, or any examination taken to gain admission to an institution of higher education; (v) transportation; (vi) computer hardware and software; and (vii) consumable educational supplies or any other education-related goods or services, such as Internet access, that are necessary for the provision of the student's education.

2. Out of this appropriation, \$100,000,000 in the first year from the Coronavirus Relief Funds awarded to the Commonwealth through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act (P.L. 116-136) are provided to reimburse localities for one-half of the cost of such program. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall establish a timeline for the submission of reimbursement requests that aligns with the Coronavirus Relief Fund deadline for incurring expenses.

3. One-half of the cost of such program shall be funded by the locality through local revenues or the federal funding provided to the locality pursuant to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act (P.L. 116-136), or any other federal funding provided through subsequent legislation approved by Congress with regard to the Coronavirus public health emergency, to the extent permitted by federal law.

4. If additional federal funding is provided through subsequent legislation approved by Congress with regard to the Coronavirus public health emergency and federal law permits such funds to be used to support programs as provided in paragraph E.1, the Governor shall reserve a reasonable amount to provide reimbursements for such programs."

Explanation:

(This amendment permits localities to establish programs to reimburse parents for costs related to teaching pods established in response to the Coronavirus public health emergency. This amendment provides \$100,000,000 the first year from the federal Coronavirus Relief Fund to reimburse localities for one-half of the cost. The amendment also provides that if additional federal relief becomes available, the Governor shall reserve a reasonable amount of such funding to support these reimbursements.)

 Chief Patron: Wilt
 Item 482.20 #2h

 Central Appropriations
 FY20-21
 FY21-22

 Central Appropriations
 \$8,628,574
 \$8,628,574
 GF

Language:

Page 205, line 1, strike "(\$754,015,992)" and insert "(\$745,387,418)". Page 205, line 1, strike "(\$1,335,540,477)" and insert "(\$1,326,911,903)". Page 219, strikes lines 50 and 51.

Explanation:

(This amendment removes the reversion of \$8.6 million in the general fund each year from the Aids to Localities with Police Departments ("House Bill 599") program administered by the Department of Criminal Justice Services. These additional funds were provided during the 2020 Session based upon expected growth in general fund revenue from fiscal year 2020 to fiscal year 2021.)

Chief Patron: LaRock

Operating Policies

Operating Policies

Language:

Page 237, set out Item § 4-0.01. Page 237, after line 2, insert:

"h. No department, agency, local government, or other entity receiving funding from the Commonwealth, including CARES Act funding, shall require or enforce administration of any COVID-19 vaccine to individuals if (i) the vaccine is derived from human fetal tissue obtained after an induced abortion, (ii) the vaccine modifies the ribonucleic acid (RNA) or deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) of the person to whom it is administered, or (iii) the development of the vaccine did not include preclinical testing on laboratory animals prior to clinical trials involving human testing. The Department of Health shall make data and information about the safety and efficacy of each vaccine, including data and information about any risk of harm associated with administration of the vaccine, available to the public on a website maintained by the Department. Such data and information shall be presented in a manner that is easily understandable and accessible to all individuals."

Explanation:

(This amendment clarifies the conditions which must be met before a vaccination for COVID-19 can be required.)

Item 4-0.01 #1h

Chief Patron: LaRock

Item 4-0.01 #2h

Operating Policies

Operating Policies

Language:

Page 237, set out Item § 4-0.01. Page 237, after line 2, insert: "h. No department, agency, local government, or other entity receiving funding from the Commonwealth, including CARES Act funding, shall require or enforce administration of any COVID-19 vaccine to individuals (or parent or guardian of a child) who object thereto on the grounds that the administration of immunizing agents conflicts with his religious tenets or practices."

Explanation:

(This amendment prohibits any vaccination for COVID-19 from being mandated on persons who object based on conflicts with religious tenets or practices.)

Chief Patron: LaRock

Item 4-0.01 #3h

Operating Policies

Operating Policies

Language:

Page 237, set out Item § 4-0.01. Page 237, after line 2, insert:

"h. No department, agency, local government, or other entity receiving funding from the Commonwealth, including CARES Act funding, shall enter into a collective bargaining contract with a labor union or other employee association representing law-enforcement officers or employees of a law-enforcement agency that (i) prevents the Attorney General from seeking equitable relief against a law-enforcement agency engaging in a pattern or practice of unconstitutional misconduct; (ii) includes any stipulation that delays officer interviews or interrogations after alleged wrongdoing for a set length of time; (iii) provides officers with access to evidence before interviews or interrogations about alleged wrongdoing; (iv) mandates the destruction or purging of disciplinary records from personnel files after a set length of time, or limits the consideration of disciplinary records in future employment actions; (v) prohibits the interrogation, investigation, or punishment of officers on the basis of alleged wrongdoing if a set length of time has elapsed since its alleged occurrence, or since the initiation of the investigation; (vi) prohibits supervisors from interrogating, investigating, or disciplining officers on the basis of anonymous civilian complaints; or (vii) requires arbitration of disputes related to disciplinary penalties or termination."

Explanation:

(This amendment places restrictions on the ability of state and local agencies or political subdivisions receiving funds from the Commonwealth to enter into a collective bargaining contracts with labor unions or employee associations representing law-enforcement officers.)

Chief Patron: Byron

Operating Policies

Operating Policies

Language:

Page 237, after line 2, insert:

"h. No rule, regulation, or order issued by the Governor pursuant to the provisions of § 44-146.17 shall have any effect beyond 60 days after the date of issuance. Unless the General Assembly takes action on the rule, regulation, or order within the 60 days during which the rule, regulation, or order is effective, the Governor shall thereafter be prohibited from issuing the same or a similar rule, regulation, or order relating to the same emergency."

Explanation:

(This amendment limits the duration of a Governor's emergency orders.)

Item 4-0.01 #4h