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COMMITTEE APPROVED AMENDMENTS

TO HOUSE BILL 30



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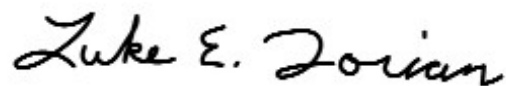
CHAIRMAN LUKE E. TORIAN

INTRODUCTION

This document contains proposed amendments to House Bill 30, the 2026-2028 Appropriations Act. The amendments are presented in the following order: Part 1 - Operating Expenses; Part 2 - Capital Outlay; Part 3 - Miscellaneous; and Part 4 - General Provisions. For ease of review, each amendment is listed sequentially by item number. A brief explanation of the purpose of each amendment also is provided.

Increased or (decreased) appropriations are drawn to program totals which appear under columns labeled "Appropriations". Fund sources are designated in the amendments either as General Fund (GF) or Non-General Fund (NGF).

Approved changes are then entered at the appropriate sub-program level in the "Item Details" columns, when the bill is enrolled. Please contact our staff at (804) 698-1590 if you desire any information on these amendments.



Luke E. Torian
Chairman



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Item 0 #1h

Revenues

Revenues

Language

Language:

Page 1, strike lines 25 through 32, and insert:

	"First Year	Second Year	Total
Unreserved Balance, June 30, 2022	\$2,316,398,593	\$0	\$2,316,398,593
Additions to Balance	\$8,902,250	(\$446,876)	\$8,455,374
Official Revenue Estimates	\$33,689,669,766	\$34,928,968,543	\$68,618,638,309
Transfers	\$1,032,353,203	\$899,163,405	\$1,931,516,608
Total General Fund Resources Available for Appropriation	\$37,047,323,812	\$35,827,685,072	\$72,875,008,884".

Page 1, strikes lines 34 through 44 and insert:

	"First Year	Second Year	Total
Balance, June 30, 2024	\$13,494,379,594	\$0	\$13,494,379,594
Official Revenue Estimates	\$58,344,414,890	\$59,549,085,309	\$117,893,500,199
Lottery Proceeds Fund	\$877,725,168	\$877,725,168	\$1,755,450,336
Internal Service Fund	\$2,703,466,322	\$2,707,118,410	\$5,410,584,732
Bond Proceeds	\$1,002,416,618	\$220,000,000	\$1,222,416,618
Total Nongeneral Fund Revenues Available for Appropriation	\$76,422,402,592	\$63,353,928,887	\$139,776,331,479
TOTAL PROJECTED REVENUES	\$113,469,726,404	\$99,181,613,959	\$212,651,340,363".

Explanation:

(This amendment adjusts the front page resource assumptions to reflect committee actions.)

Item 1 #1h

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Legislative Department	FY26-27	FY27-28
General Assembly of Virginia	\$75,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 3, line 5, strike "\$67,511,846" and insert "\$67,586,846".

Page 10, line 28, strike "\$501,494" and "\$501,494" and insert:
"\$576,494" and "\$501,494"

Page 10, line 42, strike "\$6,019" and "\$6,019" and insert:
"\$81,019" and "\$6,019".

Page 11, line 40, strike "\$501,494" and "\$501,494" and insert:
"\$576,464" and "\$501,494".

Page 14, after line 21, insert:

"X. Amounts appropriated to and fund balances retained by the Commission on Unemployment Compensation may be utilized to hire actuarial services to provide assessments that include but are not limited to the impacts of annual adjustments to the weekly benefit of the UI Trust Fund solvency and employer tax rates."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$75,000 the first year from the general fund to the Commission on Unemployment Compensation to hire actuarial services to support the Commission's work.)

Item 1 #2h

Legislative Department

General Assembly of Virginia

Language

Language:

Page 3, line 25, strike "\$126,160" and insert "\$133,843".

Page 3, line 28, strike "\$344,216" and insert "\$365,179".

Page 3, line 31, strike "\$240,613" and insert "\$256,511".

Page 3, line 35, strike "\$52,102" and insert "\$55,275".

Page 3, line 36, strike "\$60,409" and insert "\$62,183".

Page 3, line 39, strike "\$19,538" and insert "\$20,728".

Page 3, line 40, strike "\$11,583" and insert "\$13,818".

Page 4, line 25, strike "\$83,336" and insert "\$88,412".

Page 7, after line 2, insert:

"3. The Legislative Branch, as a coequal and separate branch of government, shall be exempt from directives and executive orders from the Executive Branch and the Governor related to purchasing, finance, and information technology. The Clerks of the House of Delegates and Senate, with approval from the Speaker of the House and/or Chair of Senate Rules, shall determine when it is in the best interest of the Legislature to follow Executive Branch

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procedures. The Clerks of the House of Delegates and Senate shall have full authority to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Executive Branch agencies and outside vendors for services. The Clerks of the House of Delegates and Senate shall approve and have final authority over the maintenance, operations, upkeep, upgrades, and construction of their respective spaces in legislative buildings. The Clerks shall collaborate on joint spaces." Page 8, line 55, after "M." insert "1."

Page 9, after line 4, insert:

"2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Speaker of the House of Delegates or the President Pro Tempore of the Senate may appoint a designee to any council, commission, or other body in the legislative or executive branch of state government in lieu of any member of the House of Delegates or Senate, respectively, who is serving as an ex officio member of such body."

Page 11, line 13, strike "Coastal" and insert "Recurring".

Explanation:

(This amendment makes language updates to Item 1, to include such matters as removal of outdated references and directives, updating compensation amounts to reflect recent statewide pay actions, and clarifying legislative authority with regard to appointments and operating guidelines.)

Item 1 #3h		
Legislative Department	FY26-27	FY27-28
General Assembly of Virginia	(\$24,203)	(\$24,203) GF

Language:

Page 3, line 5, strike "\$67,511,846" and insert "\$67,487,643".

Page 3, line 5, strike "\$67,511,846" and insert "\$67,487,643".

Explanation:

(This amendment transfers \$24,203 in general fund both years to other legislative commissions to correctly reflect rent amounts in legislative budgets. Companion amendments to the Commission on Youth and Chesapeake Bay Commission accept the transferred amounts.)

Item 1 #4h		
Legislative Department	FY26-27	FY27-28
General Assembly of Virginia	\$50,394	\$46,794 GF

Language:

Page 3, line 5, strike "\$67,511,846" and insert "\$67,562,240".

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Page 3, line 5, strike "\$67,511,846" and insert "\$67,558,640".

Page 10, line 28, strike "\$501,494" and "\$501,494" and insert:
"\$551,888" and "\$548,288".

Page 10, strike lines 35 and 36.

Page 10, after line 36, insert:

"Boys and Men Advisory Commission House Bill 1188, 2026 Acts of Assembly \$53,124 \$53,124".

Page 11, after line 1, insert:

"Distributed Energy Resources Task Force (Legislative Member Expenses) House Bill 285, 2026 Acts of Assembly \$3,600 \$0".

Page 11, line 40, strike "\$501,494" and "\$501,494" and insert:
"\$551,888" and "\$548,288".

Page 13, line 31, after "Commission" strike the remainder of the line and insert:

". Any general fund balances attributable to the Commission established by Title 2.2, Chapter 25, Article 11, Code of Virginia, shall hereby be transferred to this item for use by the Commission for the purposes outlined herein."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$50,394 the first year and \$46,794 the second year to support costs associated with legislative commissions, including the Boys and Men Advisory Commission (House Bill 1188), the first year member costs of the Distributed Energy Resources Task Force (House Bill 285), and a reallocation of costs from the conversion of the Autism Advisory Council to the Autism Advisory Commission as a stand-alone agency (House Bill 231). This amendment also authorizes a transfer of balances to support the ongoing work of the Commission to Study the History of Uprooting of Black Communities by Public Institutions of Higher Education.)

Item 1 #5h

Legislative Department

General Assembly of Virginia

Language

Language:

Page 14, after line 21, insert:

"X.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 the cost of mandatory property tax exemptions for disabled veterans and their spouses. The subcommittee shall make recommendations to their respective committees to ensure the sustainability of the exemption programs, reduce the fiscal stress these exemptions are having on local governments, and preserve localities' ability to provide local services.

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2. The subcommittee shall review the cost of the program since 2011, detail the reasons behind the growth, explain the fiscal implications for local governments, and consider options for state assistance to localities in mitigating the stresses on local revenues.
3. The subcommittee shall submit its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees no later than October 15, 2026.
4. The Department of Taxation, as supported by the Secretary of Veterans and Defense Affairs, and other state agencies as necessary, shall provide staff support for the subcommittee. Legislative members shall receive compensation as provided in § 30-19.12, and shall be reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. Expenses for members shall be paid by the offices of the Clerk of the House of Delegates or Clerk of the Senate, as applicable."

Explanation:

(This language amendment establishes a joint subcommittee of the General Assembly to analyze the rising cost on local governments of mandatory property tax exemptions for disabled veterans and their families.)

	Item 1 #6h	
Legislative Department	FY26-27	FY27-28
General Assembly of Virginia	\$250,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 3, line 5, strike "\$67,511,846" and insert "\$67,761,846".

Page 12, strike lines 18 through 20, and insert:

"3. Out of this appropriation, \$250,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to support the Joint Subcommittee's continued development of an implementation plan, including continued public engagement, facilitation, and technical support.)

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$250,000 the first year from the general fund for continued public engagement, facilitation, and technical support for the Joint Subcommittee on Elementary and Secondary Education Funding.)

	Item 1 #8h	
Legislative Department	FY26-27	FY27-28
General Assembly of Virginia	\$0	\$2,131,489 GF

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Language:

Page 3, line 5, strike "\$67,511,846" and insert "\$69,643,335".

Page 3, line 20, after "\$17,640 per year" insert:

"through January 12, 2028 and \$45,000 per year effective January 13, 2028".

Page 3, line 20, after "\$18,000 per year" insert:

"through January 12, 2028 and \$45,000 per year effective January 13, 2028".

Page 3, after line 20, insert:

"The salary of the members of the House of Delegates and the Senate of Virginia shall be adjusted concurrent with any adjustment to state employee salaries provided for in a general appropriation act that are effective on or after January 13, 2028. Any such adjustment shall only become effective at the beginning of a regular legislative session immediately following the general election of the Senate of Virginia and such increase shall include any intervening increases in state employee salaries over the four prior years."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$2.1 million general fund in fiscal year 2028 to adjust the compensation for the members of the House of Delegates and State Senate up to \$45,000 effective the start of the 2028 legislative session.)

Item 18 #1h			
Legislative Department	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Chesapeake Bay Commission	\$8,190	\$8,190	GF

Language:

Page 21, line 28, strike "\$377,277" and insert "\$385,467".

Page 21, line 28, strike "\$377,277" and insert "\$385,467".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$8,190 each year from the general fund to accept the net-zero transfer of funding from Item 1 to accurately reflect legislative rent appropriation. Companion amendments to Item 1 and to the Commission on Youth balance out to zero.)

Item 21 #1h			
Legislative Department	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Virginia Commission on Youth	\$55,000	\$55,000	GF

Language:

Page 22, line 16, strike "\$434,188" and insert "\$489,188".

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Page 22, line 16, strike "\$434,188" and insert "\$489,188".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$55,000 each year from the general fund to fully fund existing staff for the Commission and bring funding levels in line with comparably staffed legislative commissions.)

Item 21 #2h			
Legislative Department	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Virginia Commission on Youth	\$16,013	\$16,013	GF

Language:

Page 22, line 16, strike "\$434,188" and insert "\$450,201".

Page 22, line 16, strike "\$434,188" and insert "\$450,201".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$16,013 each year from the general fund to accept the net-zero transfer of funding from Item 1 to accurately reflect legislative rent allotments. Companion amendments to Item 1 and to the Chesapeake Bay Commission balance out to zero.)

Item 24.10 #1h			
Legislative Department	FY26-27	FY27-28	
General Assembly of Virginia	\$125,000	\$250,000	GF
	1.00	1.00	FTE

Language:

Authority: Chapter 50.1 of Title 30, Code of Virginia.

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$125,000 the first year and \$250,000 the second year from the general fund and one position to support an Autism Advisory Commission within the legislative branch. The lower amount in the first year assumes the position will be hired for six months of fiscal year 2027.)

Item 27 #1h	
Legislative Department	Language
Legislative Department Reversion Clearing Account	

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Language:

Page 29, after line 28, insert:

"D. On or before June 30, 2027, the Committee on Joint Rules shall authorize a reversion to the general fund of \$2,402,250, and on or before June 30, 2028, of \$53,124, representing savings generated by the following legislative agencies:

Legislative Agency	Estimated Savings	
	FY 2027	FY 2028
100: General Assembly	\$50,394	\$53,124
107: Division of Legislative Services	\$1,433,755	
110: Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission	\$600,000	
810: Capitol Square Preservation Council	\$10	
876: Virginia Conflict of Interest and Ethics Advisory Council	\$318,091	
Total:	\$2,402,250	\$53,124".

Explanation:

(This amendment authorizes transfer of \$2,402,250 the first year and \$53,124 the second year in general fund balances from legislative branch agencies.)

Item 28 #1h

Judicial Department	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Supreme Court	\$1,515,440	\$150,000	GF

Language:

Page 30, line 3, strike "\$18,546,944" and insert "\$20,062,384".

Page 30, line 3, strike "\$18,546,944" and insert "\$18,696,944".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$1.5 million the first year and \$150,000 the second year from the general fund for a Court Date Reminder Program established by House Bill 885.)

Item 28 #2h

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Judicial Department	FY26-27	FY27-28
Supreme Court	\$397,614	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 30, line 3, strike "\$18,546,944" and insert "\$18,944,558".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$397,614 the first year from the general fund to support costs for the Office of the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court to make changes to the property alert notification system as directed by House Bill 163.)

Item 28 #3h

Judicial Department	FY26-27	FY27-28
Supreme Court	\$74,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 30, line 3, strike "\$18,546,944" and insert "\$18,620,944".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$74,000 the first year from the general fund to support one-time IT system programming costs to implement the provisions of House Bill 17, House Bill 268, and House Bill 1142.)

Item 32 #1h

Judicial Department	FY26-27	FY27-28
Court of Appeals of Virginia	\$3,426,976 16.00	\$3,146,976 16.00 GF FTE

Language:

Page 33, line 37, strike "\$23,087,457" and insert "\$26,514,433".

Page 33, line 37, strike "\$23,087,457" and insert "\$26,234,433".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$3.4 million the first year and \$3.1 million the second year from the general fund for four additional Court of Appeals judgeships and affiliated support staff. Included in the cost estimate to support each additional judgeship are the judge's position, three law clerk positions, and associated general office overhead and operational expenses. The first year includes one-time start-up costs for furniture and technology.)

Item 32 #2h

Judicial Department	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Court of Appeals of Virginia	\$3,726,400	\$3,529,620	GF

Language:

Page 33, line 37, strike "\$23,087,457" and insert "\$26,813,857".

Page 33, line 37, strike "\$23,087,457" and insert "\$26,617,077".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$3.7 million the first year and \$3.5 million the second year from the general fund to establish, design, and build a new Appellate Case Management System for the Court of Appeals. This amendment modernizes a system that was built 18 years ago to augment a paper process and faces critical limitations that hinder operational performance, data accuracy, and long-term maintainability.)

Item 33 #1h

Judicial Department	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Circuit Courts	\$703,698	\$695,498	GF
	2.00	2.00	FTE

Language:

Page 34, line 19, strike "\$142,596,679" and insert "\$143,300,377".

Page 34, line 19, strike "\$142,596,679" and insert "\$143,292,177".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$703,698 the first year and \$695,498 the second year from the general fund and two positions to increase circuit court judgeships in the Twentieth and Twenty-Seventh Judicial Circuits. These judgeships were recommended by the Judicial Council of Virginia.)

Item 33 #2h

Judicial Department	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Circuit Courts	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	GF

Language:

Page 34, line 19, strike "\$142,596,679" and insert "\$144,096,679".

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Page 34, line 19, strike "\$142,596,679" and insert "\$144,096,679".

Page 35, line 50, strike "\$2,500,000" and "\$2,500,000", and insert: "\$4,000,000" and "\$4,000,000".

Page 35, line 52, strike "\$84.40" and insert "\$90".

Page 35, line 53, strike "\$58.75" and insert "\$65".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$1.5 million each year from the general fund to increase guardian ad litem rates from the current level of \$57.50/hour out of court and \$78.75/hour in court to \$65/hour and \$90/hour, respectively.)

Item 33 #3h			
Judicial Department	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Circuit Courts	\$70,000	\$70,000	GF
	1.00	1.00	FTE

Language:

Page 34, line 19, strike "\$142,596,679" and insert "\$142,666,679".

Page 34, line 19, strike "\$142,596,679" and insert "\$142,666,679".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$70,000 each year from the general fund and a position to provide additional support staff for the First Judicial Circuit.)

Item 33 #4h			
Judicial Department	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Circuit Courts	\$1,411,974	\$0	GF

Language:

Page 34, line 19, strike "\$142,596,679" and insert "\$144,008,653".

Page 35, line 2, strike the first "\$167,281,494" and insert "\$168,693,468".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$1,411,974 the first year from the general fund to support costs associated with House Bill 26 which relates to the modification of sentences for marijuana-related offenses. A companion budget amendment in the Department of Corrections provides funding for additional costs anticipated to result from the legislation.)

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Item 34 #1h

Judicial Department	FY26-27	FY27-28	
General District Courts	\$644,256 2.00	\$636,056 2.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 36, line 14, strike "\$184,169,557" and insert "\$184,813,813".

Page 36, line 14, strike "\$184,169,557" and insert "\$184,805,613".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$644,256 the first year and \$636,056 the second year from the general fund and two positions to increase general district court judgeships in the Twelfth and Twenty-Sixth Judicial Circuits. These judgeships were recommended by the Committee on District Courts.)

Item 35 #1h

Judicial Department	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Courts	\$644,256 2.00	\$636,056 2.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 37, line 3, strike "\$132,045,360" and insert "\$132,689,616".

Page 37, line 3, strike "\$132,045,360" and insert "\$132,681,416".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$644,256 the first year and \$636,056 the second year from the general fund and two positions to increase juvenile and domestic relations district court judgeships in the Twelfth and Fifteenth Judicial Circuits. These judgeships were recommended by the Committee on District Courts.)

Item 44 #1h

Executive Offices	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Office of the Governor	\$85,354	\$0	GF

Language:

Page 43, line 4, strike "\$8,643,357" and insert "\$8,728,711".

Page 43, after line 47, insert:

"H. Out of the appropriation for this item, \$85,354 the first year from the general fund is

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provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 285 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$85,354 in fiscal year 2027 for the Governor's Office to manage the work of the Distributed Energy Resources Task Force created by House Bill 285 of the 2026 General Assembly.)

Item 50 #1h			
Executive Offices	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Attorney General and Department of Law	\$1,298,080 8.00	\$1,298,080 8.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 45, line 12, strike "\$61,665,660" and insert "\$62,963,740".
Page 45, line 12, strike "\$61,665,660" and insert "\$62,963,740".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$1.3 million each year from the general fund and eight positions to establish a dedicated Federal Litigation Unit within the Office of the Attorney General.)

Item 50 #2h			
Executive Offices	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Attorney General and Department of Law	\$1,013,460 8.00	\$1,013,460 8.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 45, line 12, strike "\$61,665,660" and insert "\$62,679,120".
Page 45, line 12, strike "\$61,665,660" and insert "\$62,679,120".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$1.0 million each year from the general fund and eight positions to establish a dedicated Workers Protection Unit within the Office of the Attorney General.)

Item 50 #3h			
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Executive Offices	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Attorney General and Department of Law	(\$1,300,000)	(\$1,300,000)	GF

Language:

Page 45, line 12, strike "\$61,665,660" and insert "\$60,365,660".

Page 45, line 12, strike "\$61,665,660" and insert "\$60,365,660".

Page 47, strike lines 5 through 7.

Explanation:

(This amendment repurposes \$1.3 million each year from the general fund to support other priorities of the Office of the Attorney General.)

Item 50 #4h

Executive Offices	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Attorney General and Department of Law	\$509,864 3.00	\$409,864 3.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 45, line 12, strike "\$61,665,660" and insert "\$62,175,524".

Page 45, line 12, strike "\$61,665,660" and insert "\$62,075,524".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$509,864 the first year and \$409,864 the second year from the general fund and three positions for the Office of the Attorney General to implement legislation passed by the House of Delegates.)

Item 54 #1h

Executive Offices	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Attorney General and Department of Law	\$3,540,042	\$3,540,042	GF

Language:

Page 47, line 43, strike "\$1,472,451" and insert "\$5,012,493".

Page 47, line 43, strike "\$1,472,451" and insert "\$5,012,493".

Page 47, after line 48, insert:

"Out of the amounts included in this appropriation, \$3,540,042 the first year and \$3,540,042 the second year from the general fund is provided for compensation adjustments for attorneys

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within the Office of the Attorney General to address high turnover and vacancies."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$3.5 million each year from the general fund to provide salary compression adjustments for approximately 320 attorneys within all divisions of the Office of the Attorney General. The funding addresses a compensation gap that has accumulated over nearly a decade without systematic correction.)

Item 56 #1h

Executive Offices	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Secretary of the Commonwealth	\$110,392	\$110,392	GF
	1.00	1.00	FTE

Language:

Page 49, line 16, strike "\$3,897,760" and insert "\$4,008,152".

Page 49, line 16, strike "\$3,897,760" and insert "\$4,008,152".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$110,392 each year from the general fund and a position to support implementation costs associated with House Bill 163.)

Item 56 #2h

Executive Offices	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Secretary of the Commonwealth	\$250,000	\$250,000	GF
	2.00	2.00	FTE

Language:

Page 49, line 16, strike "\$3,897,760" and insert "\$4,147,760".

Page 49, line 16, strike "\$3,897,760" and insert "\$4,147,760".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$250,000 each year from the general fund and two positions to support workload requirements in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth. One position is needed to assist with notary processing, and the second is needed to assist with clemency-related operations.)

Item 60 #1h

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Administration	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Compensation Board	(\$4,600,000)	(\$4,600,000)	GF

Language:

Page 52, line 14, strike "\$685,058,201" and insert "\$680,458,201".

Page 52, line 14, strike "\$685,058,201" and insert "\$680,458,201".

Explanation:

(This amendment reduces general fund by \$4.6 million each year to remove a proposal in the introduced budget to increase sheriffs positions. A corresponding amendment adjusts the sheriffs position level back to the levels approved by the General Assembly.)

Item 61 #1h

Administration	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Compensation Board	\$99,061	\$99,061	GF

Language:

Page 55, line 43, strike "\$43,814,791" and insert "\$43,913,852".

Page 55, line 43, strike "\$43,814,791" and insert "\$43,913,852".

Page 58, line 31, strike "\$315,939" and "\$315,939" and insert:
"\$415,000" and "\$415,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$99,061 each year from the general fund to increase to \$415,000 the amount provided to Nottoway County to reimburse for their expense of confining residents of the Virginia Center for Behavioral Rehabilitation who are arrested for new offenses and held in Piedmont Regional Jail at the expense of the County.)

Item 67 #1h

Administration		Language
Compensation Board		

Language:

Page 67, line 22, strike "11,869" and "11,869" and insert:
"11,780" and "11,780".

Explanation:

(This language-only amendment resets the position levels for sheriffs to those approved by the

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General Assembly. A corresponding amendment reduces general fund proposed for these positions by \$4.6 million each year.)

Item 67 #2h

Administration

Compensation Board

Language

Language:

Page 70, after line 39, insert:

"X. The Compensation Board shall include in its next evaluation of workload indicators for Commissioners of Revenue and Finance Director offices, a study of the work required for the review and approval or rejection of applications for tax exemptions for 100 percent disabled veterans."

Explanation:

(This language amendment directs the Compensation Board to factor into its next workload evaluation for Commissioners of Revenue and Finance Directors, the work required to review applications for tax exemptions for 100 percent disabled veterans. A related amendment to Item 1 creates a workgroup to study the impact on localities from mandatory property tax exemptions.)

Item 67 #3h

Administration

FY26-27

FY27-28

Compensation Board

\$60,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 66, line 44, strike "\$5,815,548" and insert "\$5,875,548".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$60,000 the first year from the general fund to support system upgrades necessary to implement the provisions of House Bill 861.)

Item 70 #1h

Administration

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of General Services

\$275,000

\$0 NGF

Language:

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Page 72, line 15, strike "\$73,089,587" and insert "\$73,364,587".

Page 72, after line 50, insert:

"F. Out of this appropriation, \$275,000 the first year from the nongeneral fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 61 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$275,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the nongeneral fund for the Department of General Services to update eVA, the state's electronic procurement system.)

Item 71 #1h

Administration

Department of General Services

Language

Language:

Page 21, strike "\$15.50" and insert "\$18.00".

Page 22, strike "\$15.50" and insert "\$18.00".

Explanation:

(This amendment updates the rent rate for office space in facilities operated and maintained by the Department of General Services to reflect current occupancy and expenses. A corresponding amendment in central accounts provides additional funding for the general fund share of this rent rate increase.)

Item 71 #2h

Administration

Department of General Services

Language

Language:

Page 74, line 13, after "3." insert:

"Unless otherwise established by the Six-Year Capital Outlay Advisory Committee (the Committee),".

Page 74, line 15, after "act.", insert:

"Pay increases authorized by the Committee shall be done with the intent to expedite architectural, engineering, review, and inspection services provided by the Division. The Division is authorized to contract for services as needed to prevent costly delays to state capital projects."

Explanation:

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(This language amendment authorizes the Six-Year Capital Outlay Advisory Committee to increase rates for services rendered by the Department of General Services' Division of Engineering and Building (DEB). Any such increases shall only be authorized by the Committee to prevent project cost escalations. DEB's rates are paid by state agency and public institution of higher education project owners out of their respective authorized capital project budgets.)

Item 74 #1h

Administration	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Human Resource Management	\$175,224 1.00	\$175,224 1.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 76, line 14, strike "\$118,052,873" and insert "\$118,228,097".

Page 76, line 14, strike "\$117,376,823" and insert "\$117,552,047".

Page 78, after line 14, insert:

"J. Out of this appropriation, \$175,224 the first year and \$175,224 the second year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 54 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$175,224 in each year of the biennium from the general fund for the Department of Human Resource Management to hire an internship coordinator to place interns with state agencies. A companion amendment to Part 3 reverts \$10.3 million from the Innovative Internship program at the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia to help fund this amendment.)

Item 74 #2h

Administration	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Human Resource Management	\$500,000	\$0	GF

Language:

Page 76, line 14, strike "\$118,052,873" and insert "\$118,552,873".

Page 78, after line 14, insert:

"J. Out of the amounts included in this appropriation, \$500,000 from the general fund the first year is provided for the Department of Human Resource Management to examine the options for modernizing the Commonwealth's job classification system. In conducting its review the Department shall (i) consider and recommend a method to standardize the Commonwealth's

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system of classified job titles, (ii) review and update classified salary pay bands, and (iii) review and recommend redesigned base salary budgeting, base salary structure management, and job structure management. The Department shall complete its work and make recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly by November 30, 2026."

Explanation:

(This amendment includes \$500,000 from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 and includes language requiring the Department to make recommendations regarding the Commonwealth's employee classification system.)

Item 74 #3h

Administration

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Human Resource
Management

(\$200,000)

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 76, line 14, strike "\$118,052,873" and insert "\$117,852,873".

Explanation:

(This amendment removes \$200,000 the first year from the general fund that was proposed in House Bill 30 for a duplicative leadership academy.)

Item 74 #4h

Administration

Department of Human Resource Management

Language

Language:

Page 76, line 41, after "agencies," insert:
"and with approval from the affected cabinet secretaries,".

Explanation:

(This language amendment clarifies approval authority for agencies to be transitioned to the human resource service center administered by the Department of Human Resource Management.)

Item 77 #1h

Administration

FY26-27

FY27-28

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Department of Elections	\$615,000	\$0	GF
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Language:

Page 80, line 27, strike "\$24,730,589" and insert "\$25,345,589".

Page 81, after line 25, insert:

"H. Out of this appropriation, \$615,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to support advertising costs with holding constitutional referenda pursuant to the provisions of House Bills 612, 781, and 963 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$615,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund to supports costs incurred by the Department of Elections for advertising constitutional referenda.)

Item 77 #2h

Administration	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Elections	\$137,500	\$110,000	GF

Language:

Page 80, line 27, strike "\$24,730,589" and insert "\$24,868,089".

Page 80, line 27, strike "\$21,394,303" and insert "\$21,504,303".

Page 81, after line 25, insert:

"H. Out of this appropriation, \$137,500 the first year and \$110,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 215 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$247,500 over the biennium from the general fund for the Department of Elections to participate in 3rd party voter registration data exchanges including the Electronic Registration Information Center.)

Item 77 #3h

Administration	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Elections	\$5,454	\$2,954	GF

Language:

Page 80, line 27, strike "\$24,730,589" and insert "\$24,736,043".

Page 80, line 27, strike "\$21,394,303" and insert "\$21,397,257".

Page 81, after line 25, insert:

"H. Out of this appropriation, \$5,454 the first year and \$2,954 the second year from the general

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fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 234 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$8,408 over the biennium from the general fund for the Department of Elections to provide standardized identification badges to members of local electoral boards.)

Item 77 #4h

Administration	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Elections	\$9,060	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 80, line 27, strike "\$24,730,589" and insert "\$24,739,649".

Page 81, after line 25, insert:

"H. Out of this appropriation, \$9,060 the first year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 319 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$9,060 in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund for the Department of Elections to study back-end opt-out automatic voter registration in Virginia.)

Item 77 #5h

Administration	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Elections	\$50,400	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 80, line 27, strike "\$24,730,589" and insert "\$24,780,989".

Page 81, after line 25, insert:

"H. Out of this appropriation, \$50,400 the first year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 964 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$50,400 in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund to the Department of Elections to restore the rights of incarcerated persons upon release.)

Item 77 #6h

Administration	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Elections	\$286,131	\$122,681 GF

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Language:

Page 80, line 27, strike "\$24,730,589" and insert "\$25,016,720".

Page 80, line 27, strike "\$21,394,303" and insert "\$21,516,984".

Page 81, after line 25, insert:

"H. Out of this appropriation, \$286,131 the first year and \$122,681 the second year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 972 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$286,131, in fiscal year 2027 and \$122,681 in fiscal year 2028 from the general fund for the Department of Elections to facilitate voter list maintenance as prescribed by House Bill 972 of the 2026 General Assembly.)

Item 77 #7h			
Administration	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Elections	\$15,000	\$15,000	GF

Language:

Page 80, line 27, strike "\$24,730,589" and insert "\$24,745,589".

Page 80, line 27, strike "\$21,394,303" and insert "\$21,409,303".

Page 81, after line 25, insert:

"H. Out of this appropriation, \$15,000 the first year and \$15,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 967 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$30,000 over the biennium from the general fund to the Department of Elections effectuate the provisions of House Bill 967 of the 2026 General Assembly that reduces the thresholds to provide election materials in different languages to increase voting accessibility.)

Item 80 #1h			
Administration	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Virginia Information Technologies Agency	\$2,600,000	\$800,000	NGF

Language:

Page 83, line 31, strike "\$25,322,123" and insert "\$27,922,123".

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Page 83, line 31, strike "\$25,389,125" and insert "\$26,189,125".

Page 83, strike lines 48 through 52 and insert:

"C.1. The Virginia IT Agency (VITA), in conjunction with the Office of Data Governance and Analytics (ODGA), has procured a cloud-based data analytics platform that collects, analyzes, interprets, and shares all opioid related data from relevant agencies across the Commonwealth. The data collected is managed securely and in compliance with all VITA and ODGA policies and regulations. This platform provides the comprehensive capture of de-identified substance use disorder and opioid public data across the Commonwealth, utilizing common methodologies, metrics, and indicators to implement a statewide substance use disorder abatement enterprise data platform.

2. VITA and ODGA shall enhance, maintain, and support the Commonwealth Substance Use Disorder and Analytics Platform (SUDA) that receives, maintains, and visualizes the SUDA data from the following agencies: Department of Medical Assistance Services, Virginia Department of Health, Opioid Abatement Authority (OAA), Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services, Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, Virginia Department of Social Services, Virginia Department of Corrections, Virginia Health Professions, and any other state agency that may house opioid related data or programs. VITA and ODGA shall solicit stakeholder involvement for future requirements from organizations that represent local governments and addiction service providers such as Virginia Associations of Counties, Virginia Municipal League, Virginia Community Services Boards, and Virginia Association of Recovery Residences.

3. Out of this appropriation, \$1,340,053 the first year and \$1,407,55 the second year from the Commonwealth Opioid Abatement and Remediation (COAR) Fund is provided for the continued operation and maintenance of the SUDA platform, and \$2,600,000 the first year and \$800,000 the second year from the COAR Fund is provided for the procurement of services to expand and enhance the cloud-based data analytics platform. In this expansion, VITA shall integrate additional datasets relevant to substance use disorder and opioid public health concerns, including population social, economic, and environmental factors, VITA shall also develop advanced and predictive analytics tools within the platform to inform evidence-based policy, intervention strategies, and support services. VITA shall facilitate the deployment of these data and analytical capabilities to authorized Commonwealth agencies and local and community service organizations to enhance statewide effectiveness in addressing and abating the opioid crisis."

Page 84, strike lines 1 through 16.

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$2.6 million the first year and \$800,000 the second year in nongeneral fund appropriation to expand the capabilities of the Substance Use Disorder and Analytics Platform that is administered by VITA in concert with the state's mental health organizations to foster the sharing of opioid related data. Revenue to support this appropriation comes from the Commonwealth Opioid Abatement and Remediation (COAR) Fund.)

Item 81 #1h

Administration	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Virginia Information Technologies Agency	\$650,000 2.00	\$475,000 2.00	NGF FTE

Language:

Page 84, line 23, strike "\$62,872,754" and insert "\$63,522,754".

Page 84, line 23, strike "\$62,872,754" and insert "\$63,347,754".

Page 86, after line 16, insert:

"H. Out of this appropriation, \$650,000 the first year and \$475,000 the second year from the nongeneral fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 61 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$1.1 million over the biennium from the nongeneral fund for the Virginia Information Technologies Agency to hire two additional employees to manage SWaM related contracts and support the Division of Procurement Enhancement at the Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity proposed in House Bill 61 of the 2026 General Assembly.)

Item 84 #1h

Agriculture and Forestry	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	\$4,000,000	\$0	GF

Language:

Page 89, line 12, strike "\$8,794,330" and insert "\$12,794,330".

Page 89, line 17, before "Out" insert "A."

Page 89, line 17, strike the first "\$1,600,000" and insert "\$4,600,000".

Page 89, line 21, after "Virginia." insert:

"B. Out of the amounts in this item, \$1,000,000 the first year from the general fund to implement Virginia Fresh Match to grow the network of farmers markets and local food retailers that double the value of SNAP food assistance spent on fruits and vegetables for food insecure families."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides an additional \$4 million the first year from the general fund to

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support the Virginia Agricultural Food Assistance Program and the implementation of Virginia Fresh Match.)

Item 86 #1h

Agriculture and Forestry	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	\$125,676 1.00	\$125,676 1.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 89, line 37, strike "\$29,195,036" and insert "\$29,320,712".

Page 89, line 37, strike "\$29,195,036" and insert "\$29,320,712".

Page 91, after line 14, insert:

"L. Out of the amounts in this item, \$125,676 the first year and \$125,676 the second year from the general fund to support blue catfish marketing and production activities of the Marine Products Board."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$126,000 each year from the general fund pursuant to House Bill 1465.)

Item 86 #2h

Agriculture and Forestry	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	\$45,000	\$45,000	GF

Language:

Page 89, line 37, strike "\$29,195,036" and insert "\$29,240,036".

Page 89, line 37, strike "\$29,195,036" and insert "\$29,240,036".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$45,000 each year from the general fund for the creation of a voluntary Chesapeake Wild Harvest certification for blue catfish pursuant to House Bill 1110.)

Item 91 #1h

Agriculture and Forestry	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	\$549,728 4.00	\$549,728 4.00	GF FTE

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Language:

Page 92, line 26, strike "\$4,355,741" and insert "\$4,905,469".

Page 92, line 26, strike "\$4,355,741" and insert "\$4,905,469".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$550,000 each year from the general fund and four positions to support workload increases for the VDACS Office of Weights and Measures related to the establishment of an adult-use recreational cannabis market pursuant to House Bill 642.)

Item 92 #1h

Agriculture and Forestry	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	\$315,637 2.00	\$315,637 2.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 92, line 49, strike "\$18,297,875" and insert "\$18,613,512".

Page 92, line 49, strike "\$18,297,875" and insert "\$18,613,512".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$316,000 each year and two positions to reflect workload increases for the VDACS food safety and security program related to the establishment of an adult use recreational cannabis market pursuant to House Bill 642.)

Item 94 #1h

Agriculture and Forestry	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	\$130,694	\$130,694	NGF

Language:

Page 93, line 48, strike "\$2,392,683" and insert "\$2,523,377".

Page 93, line 48, strike "\$2,392,683" and insert "\$2,523,377".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$131,000 each year from nongeneral funds pursuant to House Bill 145, which makes changes to the regulation and taxation of fantasy contests in the Commonwealth.)

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Agriculture and Forestry

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Forestry

\$271,259
2.00

\$226,259 GF
2.00 FTE

Language:

Page 94, line 35, strike "\$48,743,642" and insert "\$49,014,901".

Page 94, line 35, strike "\$48,608,642" and insert "\$48,834,901".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$271,000 from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 and \$226,000 from the general fund in fiscal year 2028 to support the cost of two existing community forestry positions that have historically been supported by federal funding.)

Item 101 #1h

Commerce and Trade

Economic Development Incentive Payments

Language

Language:

Page 101, after line 3, insert:

"3. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 2.2-2320.1, Code of Virginia, guidance, or criteria to the contrary, an airline providing international service at least twice a week to an international destination from a Virginia airport that is not owned or leased by Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority (MWAA) may receive an incentive not to exceed \$500,000 if such service is year round, or not to exceed \$300,000 if such service is seasonal."

Explanation:

(This amendment increases the maximum grant awards from the Governor's New Airline Service Incentive Fund for increasing the number of international flights that originate from Virginia airports.)

Item 101 #2h

Commerce and Trade

Economic Development Incentive Payments

Language

Language:

Page 101, line 48, after "deposited" strike remainder of the line.

Page 101, strike lines 49 through 51, and insert:

"to the Precision Plastic Manufacturing Grant Fund for grants to be paid in accordance with §

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59.1-284.41, Code of Virginia."

Page 101, line 53, after "deposited" strike remainder of the line.

Page 101, strike line 54.

Page 102, strike lines 1 and 2, and insert:

"to the Active Pharmaceutical Ingredient Manufacturing Grant Fund for grants to be paid in accordance with House Bill 800 and Senate Bill 404 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Page 102, line 4, after "deposited" strike remainder of the line.

Page 102, strike lines 5 through 7, and insert:

"to the Power Transformer Manufacturing Grant Fund for grants to be paid in accordance with House Bill 799 and Senate Bill 403 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Page 102, line 9, after "deposited" strike remainder of the line.

Page 102, strike lines 10 through 12, and insert:

"to the Pharmaceutical Substance Manufacturing Grant Fund for grants to be paid in accordance with House Bill 1076 and Senate Bill 527 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment is technical in nature, and updates the references for several economic development incentive payments.)

Item 101 #3h		
Commerce and Trade	FY26-27	FY27-28
Economic Development Incentive Payments	\$2,000,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 99, line 21, strike "\$79,409,579" and insert "\$81,409,579".

Page 102, after line 20, insert:

"S. Out of this appropriation, \$2,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority (the Authority) to continue support for a non-profit operating a pharmaceutical manufacturing facility in developing a fast-acting insulin. Prior to any funds being disbursed, pursuant to the existing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the non-profit and the Authority, the company shall demonstrate a match of non-state funds equal to the amount provided in this paragraph. No state funds provided in this paragraph or paragraph W., Item 101, Chapter 725, 2025 Acts of Assembly shall be provided to the company until the company has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Authority sufficient funding estimated at \$27.0 million is available to produce the fast-acting insulin. At the conclusion of the project, the company shall be required to report to the Authority on the: (i) jobs created as a result of the investment; (ii) estimated savings to residents of the Commonwealth from the purchase of low-cost insulin; and, (iii) estimated potential savings to the Commonwealth as a self-insured employer from the availability of affordable insulin manufactured at a non-profit facility in Virginia. Any balances for the purposes specified in this

paragraph which are unexpended on June 30, 2027 and June 30, 2028 shall not revert to the general fund but shall be carried forward and reappropriated."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$2.0 million in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund for the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority to partner with a non-profit entity for the continued development of a fast-acting insulin. This funding would be in addition to \$3.0 million provided from state resources for this purpose in fiscal year 2025, and allow the company to raise private resources to reach the \$27.0 million needed to complete the project.)

Item 101 #4h

Commerce and Trade

Economic Development Incentive Payments

Language

Language:

Page 102, after line 20, insert:

"R. Notwithstanding the provisions of Item 101, paragraph R.1. and R.2., Chapter 725, 2025 Acts of Assembly repayment of the treasury loan authorized in paragraph Item 101, paragraph R.1., Chapter 725, 2025 Acts of Assembly will be at the determination of the Governor and General Assembly."

Explanation:

(The General Assembly approved a \$40.0 million loan for the City of Newport News during the 2024 General Assembly Session to help construct housing for Navy personnel. This amendment allows the Governor and General Assembly to exercise discretion in setting terms for loan repayment and identifying performance metrics for which future repayment options can be based.)

Item 101 #5h

Commerce and Trade

FY26-27

FY27-28

Economic Development Incentive
Payments

\$5,000,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 99, line 21, strike "\$79,409,579" and insert "\$84,409,579".

Page 102, after line 20, insert:

"S. Out of this appropriation, \$5,000,000 the first year from the general fund shall be transferred to the Secretary of Commerce and Trade for disbursement to the City of Virginia Beach for the

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development of Atlantic Park. The funding may be applied to engineering, infrastructure, maintenance, and other related costs to facilitate development and expansion activities. Any balances for the purposes specified in this paragraph which are unexpended on June 30, 2027 and June 30, 2028 shall not revert to the general fund but shall be carried forward and reappropriated. The funds provided in this paragraph shall not be used to supplant any existing appropriations from local, state, or federal entities for the development of Atlantic Park."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$10.0 million in fiscal year 2027 to the City of Virginia Beach for the continued development of Atlantic Park. Atlantic Park is a year-round district that includes a live entertainment and events venue, office space, housing, shopping and dining.)

Item 102 #1h		
Commerce and Trade	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Housing and Community Development	\$10,000,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 102, line 31, strike "\$311,162,101" and insert "\$321,162,101".

Page 104, line 20, strike the first "\$3,450,000" and insert:
"\$13,450,000".

Page 104, line 25, after "Department." insert:

"The Department shall expand the program to underserved regions of the state including Northern Virginia. Any balances for the purposes specified in this paragraph which are unexpended on June 30, 2027 and June 30, 2028 shall not revert to the general fund but shall be carried forward and reappropriated."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides an additional \$10.0 million in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund to the Virginia Eviction Reduction Program (VERP), which provides funding to local and regional eviction prevention programs to cover expenses for households facing eviction.)

Item 102 #2h		
Commerce and Trade	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Housing and Community Development	\$25,000,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 102, line 31, strike "\$311,162,101" and insert "\$336,162,101".

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Page 105, after line 7, insert:

"R. Out of this appropriation, \$25,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 820 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$25.0 million in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund to capitalize the Virginia Housing Revolving Loan Fund, established by House Bill 820 of the 2026 General Assembly.)

Item 102 #3h		
Commerce and Trade	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Housing and Community Development	\$12,500,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 102, line 31, strike "\$311,162,101" and insert "\$323,662,101".

Page 103, line 38, strike the first "\$87,500,000" and insert "\$100,000,000".

Page 103, after line 56, insert:

"4. The Department shall convene a stakeholder workgroup to review and make recommendations regarding the administration of the Virginia Housing Trust Fund (the Trust Fund), including the allocation of funds across Trust Fund programs. The workgroup shall develop recommendations to support the Trust Fund's continued growth and optimization, including consideration of potential dedicated funding sources and innovative programs to address the evolving affordable housing needs across the Commonwealth. The Department shall submit the workgroup's findings and recommendations to the General Assembly no later than November 1, 2026. The stakeholder workgroup shall include representatives of the following, to the extent practicable: awardees of all Virginia Housing Trust Fund programs; affordable housing developers; homeless service providers; tenants, with priority for those in housing supported by the Trust Fund; affordable housing advocates, including the Virginia Housing Alliance; relevant state agencies; staff to the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees; and other stakeholders as identified by the Department."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs the Department of Housing and Community Development to convene a workgroup to examine the current uses of the Virginia Housing Trust Fund, and provide recommendations on how best to optimize the resources in the Fund to address housing affordability, supply issues, and homelessness. It also provides an additional \$12.5 million in fiscal year 2027 for deposit into the Virginia Housing Trust Fund, bringing total biennial support to \$187.5 million.)

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Item 102 #4h

Commerce and Trade	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Housing and Community Development	\$24,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 102, line 31, strike "\$311,162,101" and insert "\$311,186,101".

Page 105, after line 7, insert:

"R. Out of this appropriation, \$24,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 3 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$24,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund to the Department of Housing and Community Development to support the work of the Income-Qualified Energy Efficiency and Weatherization Task Force created by House Bill 3 of the 2026 General Assembly.)

Item 102 #5h

Commerce and Trade	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Housing and Community Development	\$5,000,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 102, line 31, strike "\$311,162,101" and insert "\$316,162,101".

Page 105, after line 7, insert:

"R. Out of this appropriation, \$5,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 196 of the 2026 General Assembly. Any balances for the purposes specified in this paragraph which are unexpended on June 30, 2027 and June 30, 2028 shall not revert to the general fund but shall be carried forward and reappropriated."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$5.0 million in fiscal year 2027 from general fund to launch the Virginia Residential Development Infrastructure Pilot Program at the Department of Housing and Community Development. The pilot program will provide grants to local governments for public infrastructure improvements to support residential development. Language in the bill allows the Department of Housing and Community Development and the Virginia Resources Authority to recover any administrative costs from the funds appropriated to the program.)

Item 102 #6h

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Commerce and Trade	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Housing and Community Development	\$363,000 3.00	\$363,000 3.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 102, line 31, strike "\$311,162,101" and insert "\$311,525,101".

Page 102, line 31, strike "\$311,162,101" and insert "\$311,525,101".

Page 105, after line 7, insert:

"R. Out of this appropriation, \$363,000 the first year and \$363,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 804 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$363,000 in each year of the biennium from the general fund and authorizes additional employees for the Department of Housing and Community Development to process housing growth plans starting July 1, 2027.)

Item 102 #7h

Commerce and Trade

Department of Housing and Community Development

Language

Language:

Page 104, line 55, after "P." insert "1."

Page 105, after line 4, insert:

"2. Notwithstanding the provisions of Item 103, paragraph Q.2., Chapter 725, 2025 Acts of Assembly, guidance, or criteria to the contrary, the Department in making grants to projects aligned with the purpose of paragraph Q.2., Item 103, Paragraph Q.2., Chapter 725, 2025 Acts of Assembly shall give priority to applications that are consistent with state floodplain management standards for state-owned buildings or local floodplain standards, whichever are more stringent. Notwithstanding the provisions of Item 103, paragraph Q.2., Chapter 725, 2025 Acts of Assembly, guidance, or criteria to the contrary, the Department shall award up to \$150,000 per eligible bridge and \$50,000 per retaining wall. The Department of Conservation and Recreation shall award up to \$300,000 per project for bridges and culverts and up to \$100,000 per project for slope stabilization for eligible projects under Category 1.A. grants of the Resilient Virginia Revolving Loan Fund."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs the Department of Housing and Community Development to prioritize applications that are consistent with state floodplain standards when awarding grants from the resiliency focused portion of the Virginia Disaster Assistance Fund authorized in the previous

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budget. It also increases the maximum grant awards for bridges and retaining walls for the Virginia Disaster Assistance Fund and Resilient Virginia Revolving Loan Fund to accommodate the higher standards.)

		Item 102 #8h	
Commerce and Trade	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Housing and Community Development	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000	GF

Language:

Page 102, line 31, strike "\$311,162,101" and insert "\$318,162,101".

Page 102, line 31, strike "\$311,162,101" and insert "\$318,162,101".

Page 103, line 15, strike "\$1,100,000" and "\$1,100,000" and insert: "\$7,100,000" and "\$7,100,000".

Page 103, line 26, strike "\$675,000" and "\$675,000" and insert: "\$1,675,000" and "\$1,675,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides an additional \$6.0 million in each year of the biennium for rapid rehousing efforts and an additional \$1.0 million in each year of the biennium to Continuum of Care lead agencies to support their organizational capacity to serve the growing population of Virginians at risk of or experiencing homelessness.)

		Item 102 #9h	
Commerce and Trade			
Department of Housing and Community Development			Language

Language:

Page 104, line 49, after "authorization." insert:

"Notwithstanding the provisions of Item 102, paragraph M.1. through M.7., Chapter 725, 2025 Acts of Assembly, guidance, or criteria to the contrary, the Department may use up to \$750,000 of the funds provided for the Manufactured Home Park Acquisitions Pilot program to award grants to eligible groups as defined in Item 102, paragraph M.2., Chapter 725, 2025 Acts of Assembly to complete any necessary due diligence work necessary prior to making an offer on a manufactured home park."

Explanation:

(This amendment allows resources in the Manufactured Home Park Acquisitions program to be used to fund due diligence work.)

Item 102 #10h

Commerce and Trade

Department of Housing and Community Development

Language

Language:

Page 105, strike lines 5 through 7.

Explanation:

(This amendment removes language authorizing the transfer of \$35.0 million in interest earnings from the Low-Income Energy Efficiency Program Fund to a new disaster relief fund. A companion amendment in the Public Safety Secretariat eliminates this fund.)

Item 102 #11h

Commerce and Trade

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Housing and
Community Development

\$250,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 102, line 31, strike "\$311,162,101" and insert "\$311,412,101".

Page 105, after line 7, insert:

"R. Out of this appropriation, \$250,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the City of Richmond for Housing Opportunities Made Equal to provide statewide education and outreach about the protected classes covered under Virginia's Fair Housing law, and to investigate and enforce allegations of housing discrimination."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$250,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund to Housing Opportunities Made Equal to support education, outreach, and enforcement of Virginia's Fair Housing Law.)

Item 102 #12h

Commerce and Trade

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Housing and
Community Development

\$161,000
1.00

\$161,000 GF
1.00 FTE

Language:

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Page 102, line 31, strike "\$311,162,101" and insert "\$311,323,101".

Page 102, line 31, strike "\$311,162,101" and insert "\$311,323,101".

Page 105, after line 7, insert:

"R. Out of this appropriation, \$161,000 the first year and \$161,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 374 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$161,000 in each year of the biennium from the general fund and authorization for the Department of Housing and Community Development to hire an employee to manage the registration of manufactured home park owners with the Department.)

Item 102 #13h

Commerce and Trade

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Housing and
Community Development

\$5,000,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 102, line 31, strike "\$311,162,101" and insert "\$316,162,101".

Page 105, after line 7, insert:

"R. Out of this appropriation, \$5,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to Prince William County to support the County's housing trust fund."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$5.0 million in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund to support Prince William County's Housing Trust Fund.)

Item 102 #14h

Commerce and Trade

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Housing and
Community Development

\$200,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 102, line 31, strike "\$311,162,101" and insert "\$311,362,101".

Page 105, after line 7, insert:

"R. Out of this appropriation, \$200,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the County of Fairfax for a partnership with the Herndon-Reston FISH program to offer rapid, flexible emergency assistance to individuals facing eviction."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$200,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund to Fairfax County to partner with the Herndon-Reston FISH program that works directly with families to avoid eviction.)

Item 103 #1h		
Commerce and Trade	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Housing and Community Development	\$1,350,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 105, line 8, strike "\$77,687,403" and insert "\$79,037,403".

Page 112, after line 12, insert:

"X. Out of this appropriation, \$1,350,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the City of Petersburg to work with Petersburg City Public Schools, Virginia State University, and other community and non-profit partners to develop a state-of-the-art aquaponics food production, education, and research facility. The funding provided in this paragraph may be used for site selection, community engagement, master plan development, design, staffing, and launching aquaponics pilot programs with three public schools in Petersburg City. Any balances for the purposes specified in this paragraph which are unexpended on June 30, 2027, and June 30, 2028 shall not revert to the general fund but shall be carried forward and reappropriated."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$1.4 million in one-time funding to support the development of an aquaponics food production, education, and research facility in Petersburg.)

Item 103 #2h		
Commerce and Trade	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Housing and Community Development	\$3,500,000	\$3,500,000 GF

Language:

Page 105, line 8, strike "\$77,687,403" and insert "\$81,187,403".

Page 105, line 8, strike "\$77,687,403" and insert "\$81,187,403".

Page 112, after line 12, insert:

"X. Out of this appropriation, \$3,500,000 the first year and \$3,500,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to the Town of Dumfries to support the development of the U.S. Route 1 corridor. Any balances for the purposes specified in this paragraph which are unexpended on

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June 30, 2027 and June 30, 2028 shall not revert to the general fund but shall be carried forward and reappropriated."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$3.5 million in each year of the biennium from the general fund for the Town of Dumfries to support redevelopment projects along the U.S. Route 1 corridor including pedestrian safety improvements, placemaking, and historic preservation activities.)

Item 103 #3h

Commerce and Trade

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Housing and
Community Development

(\$140,000)

(\$140,000) GF

Language:

Page 105, line 8, strike "\$77,687,403" and insert "\$77,547,403".

Page 105, line 8, strike "\$77,687,403" and insert "\$77,547,403".

Page 107, line 43, strike "the Virginia Main Street program,".

Page 107, line 41, strike "\$1,139,000" and "\$1,139,000" and insert:
"\$999,000" and "\$999,000".

Page 107, line 42, after "Program." insert:

"The Department is authorized to use up to forty percent of the funds provided in this paragraph each year to administer the program."

Explanation:

(This amendment increases funding for the Virginia Main Street Program by \$360,000 in each year of the biennium to ensure the state retains its accreditation with the Main Street America program, which requires one state program staffer for every 10 main street communities. The state currently has 30 main street communities.)

Item 103 #4h

Commerce and Trade

Department of Housing and Community Development

Language

Language:

Page 108, after line 49, insert:

"7.a. Out of the unobligated amounts in this paragraph, the Department may utilize up to \$20,000,000 to establish a program to provide grants for unexpected costs incurred by broadband providers related to the expansion of broadband throughout the Commonwealth. Such "Broadband Deployment Awards" are intended for reimbursement of unexpected make

ready costs incurred by providers of broadband service expanding service to unserved areas pursuant to a state or federal grant. For purposes of this paragraph “unexpected make ready costs” shall be limited to related utility pole replacements and mid-span pole installations; railroad crossings; and, where cost-effective, undergrounding of broadband lines.

b. The Department shall establish an application process for broadband providers to apply for such Broadband Deployment Awards. The intent of such awards is to mitigate broadband deployment-related costs that applicants have already paid or committed to paying, rather than making deployment contingent on receipt of a Broadband Deployment Award. Applicants shall be required to submit the following information: (i) the amount of the requested funding; (ii) documentation sufficient to establish that the applicant has already paid or committed to spending the money necessary to complete the broadband deployment; (iii) an explanation as to why the actual make ready costs were higher than anticipated when the provider sought state or federal grant funding; and (iv) any other information, protections, or criteria determined by the department as necessary to effectuate the provisions of this subparagraph 7. In evaluating applications for Broadband Deployment Awards, the Department shall ensure that such Broadband Deployment Awards are not awarded to providers that unreasonably underestimated or underbid their make ready costs when seeking state or federal grants."

Explanation:

(This amendment allows the Department of Housing and Community Development to use previously provided funding for the Virginia Telecommunications Initiative to help offset additional broadband deployment costs for make ready work related to the attachment of fiber cable to utility poles.)

Item 103 #5h

Commerce and Trade

Department of Housing and Community Development

Language

Language:

Page 108, after line 49, insert:

7.a. Out of the unobligated amounts in this paragraph, the department may utilize up to \$20,000,000 to restore telecommunications infrastructure damaged by a storm that was subsequently approved for a major disaster, as defined in § 44-146.16, Code of Virginia. This authorization shall only be permitted as a last resort and until such time that federal or additional state funds are available for such purpose.

b. The Department shall work with the Virginia Department of Transportation to develop and implement an annual process identifying recently approved Virginia Telecommunications Initiative and Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment program projects against transportation projects in the annual Six-Year Improvement Program. The process is intended to

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help broadband providers avoid potential right of way conflicts as part of broadband project planning and pre- engineering activities. The annual process shall be completed no later than 90 days following adoption of the annual Six-Year Improvement Program, and to the best of its ability, the Department shall make grantees aware of its annual findings."

Explanation:

(This amendment authorizes the Department of Housing and Community Development to use Virginia Telecommunications Initiative Funds to replace broadband lines damaged by natural disasters. It also directs DHCD to work with the Virginia Department of Transportation to coordinate the deployment of both road and broadband infrastructure to avoid any future destruction of state funded assets.)

	Item 103 #6h	
Commerce and Trade	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Housing and Community Development	\$25,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 105, line 8, strike "\$77,687,403" and insert "\$77,712,403".

Page 112, after line 12, insert:

"X. Out of this appropriation, \$25,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to Loudoun County to support the work of the Sterling Foundation."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$25,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund for the Sterling Foundation that promotes and engages in community development activities.)

	Item 109 #1h	
Commerce and Trade	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Energy	\$2,000,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 114, line 2, strike "\$4,931,922" and insert "\$6,931,922".

Page 114, after line 35, insert:

"F. Out of this appropriation, \$2,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided for the Solar Interconnection Grant Program. The Department may use up to fifteen percent of the funds provided in the paragraph for staffing in each year."

Explanation:

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(This amendment provides \$2.0 million in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund to capitalize the Solar Interconnection Grant Program established by House Bill 683 of the 2026 General Assembly. This program will provide competitive grants to localities to connect solar facilities to the grid.)

Item 109 #2h

Commerce and Trade	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Energy	\$150,000	\$150,000	GF

Language:

Page 114, line 2, strike "\$4,931,922" and insert "\$5,081,922".

Page 114, line 2, strike "\$4,931,922" and insert "\$5,081,922".

Page 114, after line 35, insert:

"F. Out of this appropriation, \$150,000 the first year and \$150,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 67 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$150,000 in each year of the biennium from the general fund to support costs incurred by the Department of Energy for identifying and developing training resources for Virginia's offshore wind workforce.)

Item 109 #3h

Commerce and Trade	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Energy	\$275,000	\$150,000	GF
	1.00	1.00	FTE

Language:

Page 114, line 1, strike "\$4,931,922" and insert "\$5,206,922".

Page 114, line 1, strike "\$4,931,922" and insert "\$5,081,922".

Page 114, after line 35, insert:

"F. Out of this appropriation, \$275,000 the first year and \$150,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 895 of the 2026 General Assembly. The Department may use the funds provided in this paragraph to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the State Corporation Commission or the Weldon Cooper Center at the University of Virginia to implement House Bill 895 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

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(This amendment provides \$425,000 over the biennium from the general fund to the Department of Energy to develop a model ordinance for energy storage regulation by localities as well as manage several workgroup examining long- and short-term energy storage.)

Item 109 #4h

Commerce and Trade

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Energy

\$50,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 114, line 1, strike "\$4,931,922" and insert "\$4,981,922".

Page 114, after line 35, insert:

"F. Out of this appropriation, \$50,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 590 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$50,000 in fiscal year from the general fund to the Department of Energy to conduct a workgroup on the costs and implementation of a centralized Smart Solar Permitting Platform.)

Item 109 #5h

Commerce and Trade

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Energy

\$25,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 114, line 1, strike "\$4,931,922" and insert "\$4,956,922".

Page 114, after line 35, insert:

"F. Out of this appropriation, \$25,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 833 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$25,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund to the Department of Energy to evaluate the design and deployment of the electrical distribution infrastructure necessary to support the installation of electric vehicle charging facilities in new developments consisting of single family and multifamily residential units.)

Item 111 #1h

Commerce and Trade

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Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity	\$249,360 2.00	\$249,360 2.00	GF FTE
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Language:

Page 115, line 2, strike "\$9,025,318" and insert "\$9,274,678".

Page 115, line 2, strike "\$9,025,318" and insert "\$9,274,678".

Page 116, after line 29, insert:

"I. Out of this appropriation, \$249,360 the first year and \$249,360 the second year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 61 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$249,360 in fiscal year 2027 and \$249,360 in fiscal year 2028 from the general fund for the Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity to hire two additional SWaM Contract Compliance Officer positions to support the Division of Procurement Enhancement created by House Bill 61 of the 2026 General Assembly.)

Item 113 #1h

Commerce and Trade	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Virginia Economic Development Partnership	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	GF

Language:

Page 117, line 29, strike "\$60,413,402" and insert "\$61,413,402".

Page 117, line 29, strike "\$60,413,402" and insert "\$61,413,402".

Page 119, strike lines 29 through 55.

Page 120, strike lines 1 through 20, and insert:

"S.1. Out of this appropriation, \$7,000,000 the first year and \$7,000,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to support employer-focused activities that further the goal of providing all postsecondary students in Virginia with one or more paid internships during their undergraduate course of study. These activities include: (i) administering the matching grant program for certain employers of higher education related student interns as provided in S.2.; (ii) coordinating regional collaboratives to serve as intermediaries for employers seeking to initiate or expand employment of higher education related student interns in a region; and (iii) measuring and reporting program participation and progress toward identified goals through the Virginia Office of Education and Workforce Alignment. The Authority shall convene a stakeholder group from business, industry, education, economic and workforce development, and government, including the following primary partners for employer engagement: Virginia Chamber of Commerce; Virginia Business Higher Education Council; and other statewide local government and non-profit education partners to design these activities. At the recommendation of the stakeholder group, the Authority may enter into a Memorandum of Understanding

(MOU) with Virginia Works to carry out the activities listed in this paragraph; however, the Authority shall remain the fiscal agent for these activities. Such amounts to be authorized will be subject to annual approval by the Board of the Authority.

2. The Authority shall provide for implementation of a program of matching grants for small and midsize Virginia-based employers that hire undergraduate student interns and shall establish criteria for the grants in consultation with the partners identified in paragraph S.1. of this Item. Such criteria shall include: (i) a limitation of eligibility to for-profit business, nonprofit organizations, and local governments excluding institutions of higher education, with physical operations and facilities in Virginia and 150 or fewer Virginia-based employees; (ii) certification of employer eligibility by the Authority following a training program of reasonable duration and agreement by the employer to reasonable mentoring and reporting obligations; (iii) a limitation of grant awards to reimbursement, not to exceed \$7,500 per higher education related internship, for a maximum of one-half of wages, including FICA, and workplace subsidies, including transportation, housing, and other internship-related expenses, paid to or for the benefit of a student participating in a qualifying internship; (iv) the minimum and maximum number of hours required to ensure the student gains valuable work experience; (v) a limitation of the qualifying number of higher education related internships per employer; and (vi) the maximum timeframe for employers to be eligible to receive the grants. Prioritization of grant awards may consider employers of 50 or fewer employees, for private and non-profit employers. Priority shall be given to smaller units of local government; however, the 50 employee threshold shall not apply to them. Local governments shall be exempt from the employee requirement of clause (i.) of this paragraph. The Authority may provide other services to employers, including arranging for one or more staffing agencies to provide services related to higher education related intern recruitment and placement, but eligibility for matching grants shall not be conditioned on an employer's engagement with or use of such staffing agency or other services. Local government awards shall be limited to ten percent of total funding set aside by the Authority for employer matching grants.

3. The Authority may employ a program administrator, contract for professional services related to marketing and communications, and take such other actions within its existing authority as it deems appropriate to accomplish the purposes of this paragraph and facilitate the partnerships and collaboration described herein. All activities and amounts are subject to annual approval by the Board of the Authority.

4. The Authority shall cooperate with the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia and identified partners in carrying out the responsibilities of the Council identified in Item 133 I. of this act and shall formalize this cooperation through a MOU.

5. Notwithstanding any provision of law, the senior leader responsible for the internship program identified in Item 113 S. may serve as a designee for the President of the Virginia Economic Development Partnership as specified in § 23.1-200 C.

6. Out of the amounts in this paragraph, \$750,000 the first year is provided for the MOVE Chamber, in partnership with the Authority and the Virginia Community College System, to

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develop and implement a pilot program to provide internship and apprenticeship opportunities with existing Virginia businesses for at least 1,000 students and recent graduates of the Virginia Community College System in Artificial Intelligence, Data Science, and Cybersecurity over the next three years. This program will be delivered by the MOVE Chamber of Tysons, Virginia."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides an additional \$1.0 million in each year of the biennium for the Internship Virginia program managed by the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority, and allows local governments to apply for matching grants to help offset the costs of providing internship opportunities to college students.)

Item 114 #1h		
Commerce and Trade	FY26-27	FY27-28
Virginia Tourism Authority	\$1,000,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 120, line 25, strike "\$31,385,719" and insert "\$32,385,719".

Page 122, line 15, after "P." insert "1."

Page 122, line 15, strike "\$5,000,000" and insert:
"\$6,000,000".

Page 122, line 17, after "Virginia." insert:

"It is the intent of the General Assembly that the amounts in this paragraph provided for the Virginia Sports Incentive Grant Program be provided in its entirety in the first quarter of the fiscal year."

Page 122, after line 17, insert:

"2. Out of the amounts in this paragraph, \$3,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided for sponsorship and partnership with and promotion of the 2027 LIV Golf Tournament hosted in Gainesville, Virginia at the Robert Trent Jones Golf Club. Out of the amounts in this paragraph \$500,000 the first year is provided for sponsorship and promotion of a globally broadcasted golf tournament held in GO Virginia Regions 1, 2, or 8 in 2026."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$6.0 million in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund for the Virginia Sports Incentive Grant Program.)

Item 114 #2h		
Commerce and Trade	FY26-27	FY27-28
Virginia Tourism Authority	\$100,000	\$0 GF

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Language:

Page 120, line 25, strike "\$31,385,719" and insert "\$31,485,719".

Page 121, line 1, strike the first "\$4,250,000" and insert:
"\$4,350,000".

Page 121, line 7, after "Virginia," insert:

"\$100,000 the first year to the Blue Highway Festival".

Page 121, after line 21, insert:

"4. It is the intent of the General Assembly that the amounts in this paragraph provided for the Blue Highway Festival shall be provided in its entirety in the first quarter of the fiscal year."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$100,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund to support the Blue Highway Festival, held annually in Big Stone Gap, Virginia. It attracts tourist and musicians from around the world.)

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Commerce and Trade

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Virginia Tourism Authority

\$2,800,000

\$2,800,000

GF

Language:

Page 120, line 25, strike "\$31,385,719" and insert "\$34,185,719".

Page 120, line 25, strike "\$26,385,719" and insert "\$29,185,719".

Page 122, after line 18, insert:

"Q. Out of this appropriation, \$2,800,000 the first year and \$2,800,000 the second year from the general fund is provided for the Virginia Tourism Authority to develop a marketing campaign to attract out of state visitors from Black, Indigenous, and Hispanic communities."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$2.8 million in each year from the general fund for the Virginia Tourism Authority to launch a media campaign to bring travelers from Black, Indigenous, and Hispanic communities to the state.)

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Commerce and Trade

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Virginia Innovation Partnership
Authority

(\$29,000,000)

\$0

GF

Language:

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Page 122, line 21, strike "\$76,786,965" and insert "\$47,786,965".

Page 127, line 19, after "reappropriated." insert:

"Notwithstanding Item 115, paragraph P., Chapter 725, 2025 Acts of Assembly, the University of Virginia shall revise its MOU with the Authority to direct unobligated resources provided by paragraph P. of Item 115, Chapter 725, 2025 Acts of Assembly to the completion of the physical structure that will serve as the Virginia Institute for Biotechnology. The updated MOU shall include a provision that requires the University of Virginia to offset any state funds used to complete the Virginia Institute for Biotechnology building with private philanthropic, university, or nonstate funds directed to the recruitment of research faculty for the Institute in equal amounts."

Page 127, line 20, strike "\$35,000,000" and insert "\$6,000,000".

Page 127, line 22, after "development" insert:

", which shall include completion of the physical structure that will serve as the Virginia Institute for Biotechnology".

Page 127, line 25, after "funding," strike up to ";".

Page 127, line 27, after "science." insert:

"The University of Virginia and the Authority may amend an existing MOU to satisfy the requirements of this paragraph."

Page 127, line 34, after "balances." insert:

"The MOU shall include a provision that requires the University of Virginia to offset any state funds used to complete the Virginia Institute for Biotechnology building with private philanthropic, university, or nonstate funds directed to the recruitment of research faculty for the Institute in equal amounts."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$6.0 million for the continued development of the Virginia Institute for Biotechnology in Charlottesville, Virginia, bringing total general fund support for the effort to \$88.5 million.)

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Commerce and Trade

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FY27-28

Virginia Innovation Partnership
Authority

\$6,000,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 122, line 21, strike "\$76,786,965" and insert "\$82,786,965".

Page 127, line 35, after Q. insert "1."

Page 127, after line 44, insert:

"2. Out of the appropriation in this item, \$6,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided for Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University's Patient Research Center. Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University shall enter into a Memorandum of

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Understanding (MOU) with the Virginia Innovation Partnership Authority (VIPA) that includes (i) performance metrics for the state's investments; (ii) sources of private philanthropic, university, and other funding; (iii) the research specialization of the initiative; (iv) opportunities for joint research projects and clinical trials; and (v) commitments to non-competition for research in life sciences. Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University and the Authority may amend an existing MOU to satisfy the requirements of this paragraph. These amounts shall remain unallotted by the Director of the Department of Planning and Budget until such time as an executed MOU has been received from VIPA. On or before August 1 of each year, upon the signature of the MOU, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University shall submit information on the financial performance of the initiative to the Virginia Innovation Partnership Authority to include: (i) budgeted and actual revenues and expenditures to planned revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year; (ii) total investments broken out into various investment activities; and (iii) cash balances."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$6.0 million in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund to support Virginia Tech's Patient Research Center, bringing total general fund support to \$32.5 million.)

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Commerce and Trade

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Virginia Innovation Partnership
Authority

\$3,000,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 122, line 21, strike "\$76,786,965" and insert "\$79,786,965".

Page 127, line 45, after "R." insert "1."

Page 127, after line 54, insert:

"2. Out of the appropriation in this item, \$3,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided for Virginia Commonwealth University's Medicines for All Institute. Virginia Commonwealth University shall enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Virginia Innovation Partnership Authority (VIPA) that includes (i) performance metrics for the state's investments; (ii) sources of private philanthropic, university, and other funding; (iii) the research specialization of the initiative; (iv) opportunities for joint research projects and clinical trials; and (v) commitments to non-competition for research in life sciences. Virginia Commonwealth University and the Authority may amend an existing MOU to satisfy the requirements of this paragraph. These amounts shall remain unallotted by the Director of the Department of Planning and Budget until such time as an executed MOU has been received from VIPA. On or before August 1 of each year, upon the signature of the MOU, Virginia Commonwealth University shall submit information on the financial performance of the initiative to the Virginia Innovation Partnership Authority to include: (i) budgeted and actual revenues and expenditures to planned revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year; (ii) total

investments broken out into various investment activities; and (iii) cash balances."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$3.0 million in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund for Virginia Commonwealth University's Medicines for All Institute, bringing total general fund support to \$16.0 million.)

Item 115 #4h

Commerce and Trade

Virginia Innovation Partnership Authority

Language

Language:

Page 128, strike line 9 through 14, and insert:

"T. The Authority is authorized to utilize up to \$100,000 the first year from the general fund to support the Creative Economy Task Force established by House Bill 1248 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs \$100,000 of existing resources in the Virginia Innovation Partnership Authority to the management of the Creative Economy Task Force established by House Bill 1249 of the 2026 General Assembly. It also removes language directing the Authority to use existing resources to develop the Virginia Artificial Intelligence Institute, which is not necessary for the Authority to undertake this work.)

Item 115 #5h

Commerce and Trade

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia Innovation Partnership
Authority

\$75,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 122, line 21, strike "\$76,786,965" and insert "\$76,861,965".

Page 127, line 10, strike the first "\$125,000" and insert "\$200,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment increases operational support for the Virginia Academy of Engineering, Science, and Medicine to expand the Commonwealth of Virginia Engineering and Science Fellowship program and to produce scientific briefs.)

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Item 117 #1h

Education: Elementary and Secondary	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Education, Central Office Operations	\$147,853 1.00	\$147,853 1.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 129, line 31, strike "\$169,148,616" and insert "\$169,296,469".

Page 129, line 31, strike "\$169,148,616" and insert "\$169,296,469".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$147,853 from the general fund each year to support one certified librarian specialist at the Department of Education, as provided in House Bill 263.)

Item 118 #1h

Education: Elementary and Secondary	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Education, Central Office Operations	\$60,000	\$0	GF

Language:

Page 132, line 45, strike "\$22,572,909" and insert "\$22,632,909".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$60,000 the first year from the general fund to develop guidance on the implementation of culturally responsive and language appropriate mental health support and services, pursuant to House Bill 1113.)

Item 118 #2h

Education: Elementary and Secondary	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Education, Central Office Operations	\$60,000	\$0	GF

Language:

Page 132, line 45, strike "\$22,572,909" and insert "\$22,632,909".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$60,000 the first year from the general fund to develop training and resources for school nurses and athletic coaches related to recognition and management of sickle cell disease pursuant to House Bills 1446 and 1503.).

Item 118 #3h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Education, Central
Office Operations

\$70,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 132, line 45, strike "\$22,572,909" and insert "\$22,642,909".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$70,000 the first year from the general fund to support the development of guidelines and support materials for considering, monitoring, and evaluating evidence-based restorative disciplinary practices, including professional development and technical assistance, pursuant to the passage of House Bill 298.)

Item 120 #1h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

Department of Education, Central Office Operations

Language

Language:

Page 136, after line 21, insert:

"D. The Department of Education shall develop and submit a detailed plan for the state's school improvement program by August 1, 2026 to the Board of Education and the chairs of the House Appropriations, House Education, Senate Finance and Appropriations, and Senate Education and Health Committees.

E. The Department of Education shall annually develop a status report that includes updates on key school improvement program activities, available and needed resources, program performance, and student and school outcomes. This report shall be submitted annually to the Board of Education and the chairs of the House Appropriations, House Education, Senate Finance and Appropriations, and Senate Education and Health Committees no later than December 1 each year."

Explanation:

(This amendment implements recommendation 10 from the December 2025 JLARC Report, *Virginia's K-12 Accountability System*.)

Item 121 #1h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

Department of Education, Central Office Operations

Language

Language:

Page 137, after line 3, insert:

"6. The Department of Education shall enter into a statewide contract with a learning management system provider to be administered through Virtual Virginia. School divisions opting to utilize the statewide contract shall subscribe through Virtual Virginia, using a fee schedule designed to absorb the school division's learning management system costs. The fee schedule for Virtual Virginia courses established in paragraph 5 shall be adjusted to absorb Virtual Virginia's learning management system costs."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs the Department of Education to enter into a statewide learning management system contract to serve Virtual Virginia and participating school divisions with lower costs through economies of scale. The amendment further directs for the costs of the contract to be absorbed through subscription fees charged to school divisions and adjustments to Virtual Virginia course fees.)

Item 123 #1h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

Department of Education, Central Office Operations

Language

Language:

Page 139, line 7, strike "J." and insert "J.1."

Page 139, line 10, after "Funding" insert:

", including the implementation of data collections from school divisions related to expenditures for English learner and special education students."

Page 139, line 10, strike "positions" and insert "funds".

Page 139, after line 11, insert:

"2. The Department, in consultation with each school board, shall annually collect, maintain, post publicly and conspicuously on its website, and report no later than November 1 to the Board, the Governor, and the General Assembly data on expenditures for the education of students receiving special education services in each local school division. Such data shall be disaggregated by school level, grade level, disability category and service needs as determined by the department."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs the Department of Education to collect and report on school divisions special education expenditures to support the work of the Joint Subcommittee on Elementary

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and Secondary Education Funding. This amendment also provides clarification that funds currently appropriated to support the Joint Subcommittee's work may be used to support new fiscal data collections for special education expenditures and English learners as directed by House Bill 1367.)

Item 123 #2h

Education: Elementary and Secondary	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Education, Central Office Operations	\$50,000	\$50,000	GF

Language:

Page 137, line 41, strike "\$31,040,859" and insert "\$31,090,859".

Page 137, line 41, strike "\$30,040,859" and insert "\$30,090,859".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$50,000 each year from the general fund to support the Virginia African American, Asian American, Pacific Islander, Latino, and Indigenous Education Advisory Board proposed in House Bill 814.)

Item 123 #3h

Education: Elementary and Secondary	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Education, Central Office Operations	(\$1,500,000)	(\$500,000)	GF

Language:

Page 137, line 41, strike "\$31,040,859" and insert "\$29,540,859".

Page 137, line 41, strike "\$30,040,859" and insert "\$29,540,859".

Page 139, strike lines 18 through 28.

Explanation:

(This amendment saves \$1.5 million the first year and \$500,000 the second year in general funds by eliminating an early childhood initiative proposed in the introduced budget. These funds are redirected to support the Early Childhood Public Private Partnership initiative in Item 126.)

Item 123 #4h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

Department of Education, Central Office Operations

Language

Language:

Page 139, after line 28, insert:

"N. 1. The Department of Education, in coordination with other entities the Department deems appropriate, shall develop type 1 diabetes informational materials for the parents and guardians of students. The informational materials shall be made available to each school division through the Department's website.

2. School boards shall make the type 1 diabetes materials accessible to the parent or guardian of a student when the student is first enrolled in elementary school and annually thereafter.

3. Information provided to parents and guardians may include: (i) a description of type 1 diabetes, (ii) a description of the risk factors and warning signs associated with type 1 diabetes, (iii) a description of the need for screening all students for early detection of type 1 diabetes using a blood autoantibody test, and (iv) a recommendation regarding those students displaying warning signs associated with type 1 diabetes or positive early detection screening results that the parents or guardians of those students should immediately consult with the students' primary care provider to develop an approximate treatment plan, which may include consultation with and examination by a specialty care provider, including a properly qualified endocrinologist."

Explanation:

(This amendment requires information about type 1 diabetes to be developed and disseminated to parents of public school students.)

Item 124 #1h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

FY26-27

FY27-28

Direct Aid to Public Education

\$300,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 139, line 41, strike "\$52,993,467" and insert "\$53,293,467".

Page 141, after line 27 insert:

"Big Free Bookstore \$300,000 \$0".

Page 152, after line 32, insert:

"NNN. Out of this appropriation, \$300,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to support the Big Free Bookstore operated by REACH, Inc. in Norfolk."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$300,000 the first year from the general fund to support the Big Free Bookstore program operated by REACH to provide new books, school supplies, and resources for at-risk and homeless children in Coastal Virginia.)

Item 124 #2h

Education: Elementary and Secondary	FY26-27	FY27-28
Direct Aid to Public Education	\$500,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 139, line 41, strike "\$52,993,467" and insert "\$53,493,467".

Page 141, after line 27 insert:

"YMCA of South Hampton Roads \$500,000 \$0".

Page 152, after line 32, insert:

"NNN. Out of this appropriation, \$500,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the Virginia Alliance of YMCAs to continue the partnership between the YMCA of South Hampton Roads and the Virginia Beach School Division to provide child care assistance for school division employees working in Title I schools."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$500,000 the first year from the general fund to continue the partnership between the YMCA of Hampton Roads and Virginia Beach Public Schools to provide child care assistance for school division employees working in Title I schools.)

Item 124 #3h

Education: Elementary and Secondary	FY26-27	FY27-28
Direct Aid to Public Education	\$350,000	\$350,000 GF

Language:

Page 139, line 41, strike "\$52,993,467" and insert "\$53,343,467".

Page 139, line 41, strike "\$52,235,967" and insert "\$52,585,967".

Page 140, line 9, strike "\$850,000" and "\$850,000" and insert:

"\$1,200,000" and "\$1,200,000".

Page 149, line 5, strike "\$850,000" and "\$850,000" and insert:

"\$1,200,000" and "\$1,200,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$350,000 each year from the general fund to increase support for Blue Ridge PBS to \$1.2 million annually.)

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Education: Elementary and Secondary	FY26-27	FY27-28
Direct Aid to Public Education	\$200,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 139, line 41, strike "\$52,993,467" and insert "\$53,193,467".

Page 141, after line 27 insert:

"New Chesapeake Men for Progress Education Foundation \$200,000 \$0".

Page 152, after line 32, insert:

"NNN. Out of this appropriation, \$200,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to support the New Chesapeake Men for Progress Education Foundation to provide mentoring for young men in the community and enhanced services for underserved youth."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$200,000 the first year from the general fund to support the New Chesapeake Men for Progress Education Foundation to provide mentoring for young men in the community and enhanced services for underserved youth.)

Item 124 #5h

Education: Elementary and Secondary	FY26-27	FY27-28
Direct Aid to Public Education	\$950,000	\$950,000 GF

Language:

Page 139, line 41, strike "\$52,993,467" and insert "\$53,943,467".

Page 139, line 41, strike "\$52,235,967" and insert "\$53,185,967".

Page 140, line 41, strike "\$250,000" and "\$250,000" and insert:

"\$1,200,000" and "\$1,200,000".

Page 151, line 5, strike "\$250,000" and "\$250,000" and insert:

"\$1,200,000" and "\$1,200,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$950,000 each year from the general fund to increase support for PBS Appalachia to \$1.2 million annually. This additional support aligns PBS Appalachia with support provided for other Virginia PBS stations and supports its role as the production arm for southwest Virginia.)

Item 124 #6h

Education: Elementary and Secondary	FY26-27	FY27-28
Direct Aid to Public Education	\$100,000	\$0 GF

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Language:

Page 139, line 41, strike "\$52,993,467" and insert "\$53,093,467".

Page 141, after line 27, insert:

"Virginia Outdoor Education Program \$100,000 \$0".

Page 152, after line 32, insert:

"EEE. Out of this appropriation, \$100,000 the first year from the general fund is provided for Virginia Outdoor Education Program grants. These grants are provided by the Department to assist school divisions seeking to develop outdoor learning spaces to enhance student learning about the environment. The Department of Education shall establish guidelines for implementation of the program including the application process and award criteria."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$100,000 the first year from the general fund for grants to school divisions to develop outdoor learning spaces.)

Item 124 #7h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

FY26-27

FY27-28

Direct Aid to Public Education

\$750,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 139, line 41, strike "\$52,993,467" and insert "\$53,743,467".

Page 141, after line 27, insert:

"Hanover Center for Trades and Technology \$750,000 \$0".

Page 152, after line 32, insert:

"EEE. Out of this appropriation, \$750,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to Hanover County Public Schools for the Hanover Center for Trades and Technology to purchase heavy duty lifts for the Diesel Equipment Tech Program, simulators and multimatic welders, culinary classroom expansion, a 3D anatomy system, and VR welding simulators."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$750,000 the first year from the general fund to support the purchase of equipment for a career and technical education facility in Hanover County.)

Item 124 #8h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

FY26-27

FY27-28

Direct Aid to Public Education

\$500,000

\$0 GF

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Language:

Page 139, line 41, strike "\$52,993,467" and insert "\$53,493,467".

Page 141, after line 27, insert "REACH Virginia \$500,000 \$0."

Page 152, after line 32, insert:

"EEE. Out of this appropriation, \$500,000 the first year from the general fund is provided for REACH Virginia to provide teacher retention services to Virginia public school divisions."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$500,000 the first year from the general fund to support REACH Virginia to provide teacher retention and mentorship services.)

Item 124 #9h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

FY26-27

FY27-28

Direct Aid to Public Education

\$2,000,000

\$2,000,000 GF

Language:

Page 139, line 41, strike "\$52,993,467" and insert "\$54,993,467".

Page 139, line 41, strike "\$52,235,967" and insert "\$54,235,967".

Page 140, line 27, strike "\$1,157,065" and "\$1,157,065" and insert:
"\$3,157,065" and "\$3,157,065".

Page 149, line 45, strike "\$1,157,065" and "\$1,157,065" and insert:
"\$3,157,065" and "\$3,157,065".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$2.0 million each year from the general fund to increase support for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library to \$3.2 million annually. This additional state support will allow the program to establish local program partners in additional communities across the Commonwealth.)

Item 124 #10h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

FY26-27

FY27-28

Direct Aid to Public Education

\$200,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 139, line 41, strike "\$52,993,467" and insert "\$53,193,467".

Page 141, after line 27, insert:

RFK Outreach - Cyber Bus \$200,000 \$0".

Page 152, after line 32, insert:

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"EEE. Out of this appropriation, \$200,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to RFK Outreach to support the purchase of equipment for a mobile cyber education bus."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$200,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund to RFK Outreach to support the purchase of mobile cyber education bus equipment to expand access to cybersecurity, AI literacy, and digital safety training in Hampton Roads.)

Item 125 #1h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

FY26-27

FY27-28

Direct Aid to Public Education

\$400,445,548

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 152, line 33, strike "\$11,395,866,095" and insert "\$11,796,311,643".

Page 153, after line 46, insert:

"Flexible Funding Supplement \$400,445,548 \$0".

Page 187, after line 13, insert:

"Flexible Funding Supplement

a. Out of this appropriation, an additional state payment estimated at \$400,445,548 the first year from the general fund is provided to support flexible funding to address unique local needs, to protect programming from the impacts of federal actions, to provide academic, physical health and mental health supports, and to supplement operating and infrastructure support. These funds shall be distributed as follows:

(i) \$100,000,000 shall be distributed based on each school division's share of the latest yearly estimate of school age population provided by the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service.

(ii) \$200,769,715 shall be distributed as the state share of a 3.2 percent add-on to basic aid for each student in fiscal year 2027 projected unadjusted average daily membership.

(iii) \$99,627,647 shall be distributed based on the estimated number of At-Risk students, based on (1) the most recent three-year average Identified Student Percentage, applying a 1.25 multiplier factor, and (2) including one quarter of students identified as English language learners. Each school division shall receive the state share of (1) a 1.5 percent basic aid add-on per estimated At-Risk student, and (2) a 0.0 to 2.9 percent basic aid add-on per estimated At-Risk student, with each school division's add-on percentage determined based upon the school division's concentration of At-Risk students relative to all other school divisions.

(iv) \$48,186 shall be provided to ensure the total payment provided to any school division resulting from paragraphs (i) through (iii) be no less than \$100,000.

(v) Distributions shall be final and not subject to adjustment throughout the biennium.

b. Funds shall not require a local match; however, these funds shall only be disbursed to school

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divisions that certify to provide the full compensation supplement as provided in paragraph C.38 if this item. Any funds provided to school divisions from this appropriation that are unexpended as of June 30, 2027 shall be carried on the books of the locality to be appropriated to the school division in the following year.

c. School divisions shall report on the use of these funds, specifying amounts budgeted based on reporting categories prescribed by the Department of Education and including a narrative explanation of the use from each school division. The Department of Education shall compile this information and submit it to the Governor and the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees no later than October 1, 2026 and October 1, 2027.

d. The locality in which the school division is located shall appropriate these funds solely for educational purposes and shall not use such funds to reduce total local operating expenditures for public education below the amount expended by the locality for such purposes in the year upon which the 2026-2028 biennial Standards of Quality expenditure data were based; provided however that no locality shall be required to maintain a per-pupil expenditure which is greater than the per pupil amount expended by the locality for such purposes in the year upon which the 2026-2028 biennial Standards of Quality were based."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$400.4 million the first year from the general fund for a one-time flexible payment for school divisions to use throughout the biennium, with no local match required. Of these funds, (1) \$100.0 million is distributed based on each school division's share of estimated school-age population, (2) \$200.8 million is distributed as a 3.2 percent add-on to basic aid, adjusted for the local composite index, and (3) \$99.6 million is distributed as a 1.5 percent to 4.4 percent add-on to basic aid, based on the concentration of at-risk students in each school division. To access these funds, school divisions must certify that the proposed 2 percent compensation increases in each year will be provided.)

Item 125 #2h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

FY26-27

FY27-28

Direct Aid to Public Education

\$74,375,111

\$74,011,971 GF

Language:

Page 152, line 33, strike "\$11,395,866,095" and insert "\$11,470,241,206".

Page 152, line 33, strike "\$11,253,671,960" and insert "\$11,327,683,931".

Page 153, line 18, strike "\$61,969,181" and "\$61,681,332", and insert: "\$136,344,292" and "\$135,693,303".

Page 166, line 42, strike "4.75" and "5.25" and insert: "9.25" and "17.5".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$74.4 million the first year and \$74.0 million the second year from the general fund to increase the add-on rates applied to basic aid for special education students from (i) 4.75 percent to 9.25 percent for Level I students and (ii) 5.25 percent to 17.5 percent for Level II students. This increases the total amount of the add-on from \$62.0 million to \$136.3 million in fiscal year 2027 and from \$61.7 million to \$135.7 million in fiscal year 2028.)

Item 125 #3h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

FY26-27

FY27-28

Direct Aid to Public Education

(\$15,000,002)
\$15,000,000

\$0 GF
\$0 NGF

Language:

Page 152, line 33, strike "\$11,395,866,095" and insert "\$11,395,866,093".

Page 161, line 53, strike "\$885,725,168" and insert "\$900,725,168".

Page 161, line 54, after "Fund." insert:

"Of the amounts in the first year, \$15,000,000 are anticipated residual profits from fiscal year 2026."

Explanation:

(This amendment increases the amounts available from the Lottery Proceeds Fund by \$15.0 million the first year, resulting in a general fund reduction of a like amount. This recognizes a significant increase in lottery revenues during December 2025.)

Item 125 #4h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

FY26-27

FY27-28

Direct Aid to Public Education

\$10,000,003

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 152, line 33, strike "\$11,395,866,095" and insert "\$11,405,866,098".

Page 154, line 12, strike "Regional Tuition" and insert:

"Support for Students with Intense Needs Application (SISNA)".

Page 154, line 12, strike "\$102,686,265" and insert "\$112,686,268".

Page 176, line 20, strike "b." and insert "b.1."

Page 176, line 23, strike "Special Education".

Page 176, line 24, strike "Regional Tuition school programs" and insert:

"Support for Students with Intense Needs Application (SISNA)".

Page 176, line 22, strike "\$102,686,265" and insert "\$112,686,268".

Page 176, after line 25, insert:

"2. (i) The Department of Education is directed to expand the disability categories eligible through this program for tuition reimbursement. To select expanded disability categories, the Department shall consider students with complex behavioral needs that otherwise would be referred to private day school placements.

(ii) Of this amount, \$10,000,000 the first year shall be prioritized for tuition payments to serve students through the expanded disability categories. These funds shall not revert to the general fund at the end of fiscal year 2027 but shall be reappropriated for expenditure for the same purpose in fiscal year 2028.

3. The Department of Education shall annually report for the SISNA program the total and per pupil local and state costs for the program and the number of students served, disaggregated by school division and primary disability category. For the purpose of this report, the number of students and per pupil costs shall be adjusted to reflect length of enrollment in the program. Such report shall be posted to the Department's website annually no later than December 1, 2026."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$10.0 million the first year from the general fund to serve additional special education students in public school settings by expanding the disability categories eligible for tuition reimbursement through the Department of Education's Support for Students with Intense Needs Application, or SISNA, with a goal to reduce the number of students referred to CSA-funded private day school programs. The amendment also updates the name of the program from Special Education Regional Tuition to SISNA and establishes annual reporting requirements for students served through SISNA. A companion amendment in the Office of Children's Services establishes a similar report.)

Item 125 #5h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

Direct Aid to Public Education

Language

Language:

Page 167, line 18, strike "and".

Page 167, line 19, after "absenteeism" insert:

"; and initiatives to support both the physical and mental health of students in public schools, including the hiring of licensed practical nurses, registered nurses, and advanced practice registered nurses".

Explanation:

(This amendment expands the permitted uses for At-Risk Add-On funds to include initiatives to

support both the physical and mental health of students as provided in House Bill 195.)

Item 125 #6h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

Direct Aid to Public Education

Language

Language:

Page 156, strike lines 12 through 16.

Explanation:

(This amendment removes language that permits a locality to submit corrections to data used to calculate the Local Composite Index after the beginning of the biennium.)

Item 125 #7h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

Direct Aid to Public Education

Language

Language:

Page 156, line 24, after "education", strike " , " .

Page 156, strike lines 25 and 26.

Page 156, line 27, strike "Item, both of which are" and insert "and".

Page 158, line 21, after "education" strike the remainder of the line.

Page 158, strike line 22.

Page 158, line 23, strike "in this Item (both of which are" and insert "and".

Page 158, line 24, strike "Service)" and insert "Service".

Page 158, strike lines 38 through 46.

Page 161, line 36, after "education" strike the remainder of the line.

Page 161, strike line 37.

Page 161, line 38, strike "Standards of Quality/Local Real Estate Property Tax Relief Fund".

Page 161, line 44, after "education", strike the remainder of the line.

Page 161, line 45, strike "Education Standards of Quality/Local Real Estate Property Tax Relief Fund".

Page 165, line 35, strike "one-cent" and insert:
"one and one-eighth cent".

Page 165, line 35, after "education and" strike the remainder of the line.

Page 165, strike line 36.

Page 165, line 37, strike "Estate Property Tax Relief Fund and appropriated in this Item which are".

Page 165, strike lines 42 through 54.

Page 166, strike lines 1 through 10.

Explanation:

(This amendment provides that one and one eighth cents of sales and use tax revenues are distributed to localities in support of public education. Under current law, one cent of the sales and use tax is deposited into the general fund and distributed to school divisions in support of public education, and an additional one-eighth cent of the sales and use tax is deposited first into the Public Education Standards of Quality/Local Real Estate Property Tax Relief Fund, then transferred into the general fund for distribution to school divisions. This amendment consolidates these two actions and does not impact amounts of sales and use taxes collected or the distribution of funds to school divisions. There are companion amendments in Item 3-5.03 and Item 4-14.)

Item 125 #8h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

FY26-27

FY27-28

Direct Aid to Public Education

\$0
(\$172,000,000)

(\$172,000,000) GF
\$172,000,000 NGF

Language:

Page 152, line 33, strike "\$11,395,866,095" and insert "\$11,223,866,095".

Page 153, line 42, strike "\$384,000,000" and insert "\$212,000,000".

Page 164, line 8, strike "\$275,000,000" and insert "\$447,000,000".

Page 185, line 27, after "School Construction Fund" strike the remainder of the line.

Page 185, line 28, strike "that shall be transferred into the School Construction Fund".

Explanation:

(This amendment (i) provides \$347.0 million in School Construction Assistance Grants from projected casino gaming revenues over the biennium; and (ii) redirects the transfer of \$172.0 million from Literary Fund balances to the School Construction Fund in the first year as proposed in the introduced budget to support teacher retirement costs in the second year, reducing general funds needed in the second year by the same amount.)

Item 125 #9h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

Direct Aid to Public Education

Language

Language:

Page 168, line 30, after "formula." insert:

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"The Department of Education shall take this desired number of student slots into account when determining the approved number of slots."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs the Department of Education to consider the number of slots each school division applied for when distributing slots for Regional Alternative Education.)

Item 126 #1h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

FY26-27

FY27-28

Direct Aid to Public Education

\$25,000,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 187, line 17, strike "\$691,911,494" and insert "\$716,911,494".

Page 194, after line 25, insert:

"G. Out of this appropriation, \$25,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided for the Employee Child Care Assistance Program administered by the Virginia Early Childhood Foundation.

1. Family participation in the program shall be limited to families with income less than 125 percent of the area median income (AMI) as published by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and at least one family member must be employed by a participating employer.

2. Minimum family contributions shall be no greater than five percent of family income for those with incomes at or below 85 percent of the AMI. The Foundation, in consultation with the Department, shall establish minimum family contributions for families with incomes between 85 percent of the AMI and 125 percent of the AMI, scaled such that the minimum family contribution for families at 125 percent of the AMI shall not be required to contribute greater than 9 percent of family income.

3. State contributions shall not exceed 40 percent of the remaining cost of the slot after application of the family contribution. The employer or other payor sources shall be responsible for remaining costs.

4. The Early Childhood and Care and Education Commission shall review and approve any (a) flexibility provisions related to additional payor contributions for slots or (b) provisions to combine or incorporate this program into any Mixed Delivery program or initiative.

5. Any unexpended funds at the end of each fiscal year shall not revert and be reappropriated for the same purpose in the next fiscal year until June 30, 2030."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$25.0 million the first year from the general fund to establish a

public-private child care cost-sharing program as provided in House Bill 18. Through this program, families, employers, and employers would share in the cost. Family eligibility is limited to those with incomes below 125 percent of the area median income. Family copayments shall not exceed 5 percent to 7 percent, and of remaining costs, the state contributes 40%, and the employer contributes 60%.)

Item 126 #2h

Education: Elementary and Secondary

Direct Aid to Public Education

Language

Language:

Page 187, after line 48, insert:

"B. The appropriations in this item are based on this estimated initial distribution of slots at the beginning of the biennium, prior to any redistribution of slots:

Program	FY 2027	FY 2028
Child Care Subsidy Program		
Birth to Five	38,924	38,924
School Age	15,497	15,497
CCSP Total	54,521	54,421
Mixed Delivery Grant Program	2,630	2,630
Virginia Preschool Initiative (including expansion slots)	25,615	26,091
Total	82,766	83,142

Page 188, line 14, after "targets.", insert:

"Local departments of social services shall maximize all available funding and targets to eliminate waitlists."

Page 189, line 41, after "resources.", insert:

"5. Grantees shall maximize all available funding and targets to eliminate waitlists."

Page 193, line 35, after "students.", insert:

"9. Localities shall maximize all available funding and targets to eliminate waitlists."

Page 194, line 25, after "capacity.", insert:

"G. Any funding not expended in the first year for the Child Care Subsidy Program or Mixed Delivery Grant Program shall be made available in the second year and may be reallocated among these programs based on parent demand following fall enrollment, however, reallocation of funding and slots shall be limited to addressing waitlists and shall not cause an increase to the number of slots needed to continue services in the subsequent biennium."

Explanation:

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(This amendment provides that the early childhood system shall take actions to eliminate local waitlists, and authorizes unused funds in the first year to be used in the second year to address existing waitlists, and to be reallocated between the Subsidy Program and Mixed Delivery Program. This amendment also re-establishes the table displaying initial early childhood slots allocations that was not included in the introduced budget.)

Item 131 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

State Council of Higher Education for
Virginia

\$22,200,000

\$8,600,000 GF

Language:

Page 196, line 46, strike "\$373,888,512" and insert "\$396,088,512".

Page 196, line 46, strike "\$376,358,512" and insert "\$384,958,512".

Page 197, after line 28, insert:

"d. Out of this amounts included in this item, \$150,000 each year from the general fund is designated to expand and create new certificate and academic pathways to address workforce gaps for skilled technical workers in aero space related fields through the Virginia Space Grant Consortium."

Page 197, line 13, strike the first "\$112,325,881" and insert "\$117,125,881".

Page 197, line 13, strike the second "\$112,325,881" and insert "\$117,125,881".

Page 198, line 41, after "11.", strike "All" and insert:

"Out of this appropriation, \$6,750,000 each year from the general fund is designated for all".

Page 198, after line 44, insert:

"12. Out of this appropriation \$1,800,000 each year from the general fund is designated for an additional award of up to \$2,000 for all students eligible and receiving an award under this program and enrolled into a TAG-eligible private not-for-profit Virginia institution, whose Hispanic-identifying students represent a three-year average of at least 25 percent of total undergraduate enrollment, and accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC)."

Page 200, after line 10, insert:

"5. a, From any higher education student financial assistance balances reappropriated in the first year, the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) is authorized to use up to \$2,500,000 each year for a pilot program in the Two-Year College Transfer Grant Program beginning with first time eligible students under § 23.1-623 through § 23.1-627, Code of Virginia as of fall 2026.

b. SCHEV shall transfer these funds as a pilot program to Christopher Newport University, Longwood University, Radford University, and the University of Mary Washington sufficient for each institution to provide total transfer grants equal to the difference between tuition and E&G fees at the respective institution, before application of any other financial aid, and the

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average tuition and E&G fees charged by Virginia's community colleges for the equivalent award year.

c. Students must have enrolled in a two-year college with a recognized transfer agreement in place with the four-year institution. Each institution shall award grants from these funds for one year and students shall not receive subsequent awards until they have satisfied the requirements to move to the next class level. Each recipient may receive a maximum of one year of support per class level for a maximum total of two years of support or three years of support for students enrolled into a five-year program."

Page 200, line 11, strike "\$23,750,000" and insert "\$40,000,000".

Page 200, line 11, strike "\$37,350,000" and insert "\$40,000,000".

Page 200, after line 23, insert:

"6. Institutions shall submit reimbursement requests within 60 days of program completion by the student; credential reimbursement shall be submitted within 90 days of program completion unless otherwise excepted by the Council. All annual data must be submitted by November 1 of the following fiscal year to ensure the annual report can be written and validated ahead of the start of the General Assembly session in January.

7. By August 1 of each year, the participating institutions shall each submit to SCHEV a projection plan for the awarding of program funds, including a list of new program offerings, which programs from the prior year will not be offered, and institution plans for instances where funds are projected to be exhausted prior to end of the fiscal year."

Page 200, strike lines 33 through 52 and insert:

"3. The Council shall distribute the funding from this item as follows:

Institution	Annual Allocation
Christopher Newport University	1,050,000
College of William and Mary	1,000,000
George Mason University	5,400,000
James Madison University	4,000,000
Longwood University	1,100,000
Norfolk State University	1,200,000
Old Dominion University	4,525,000
Radford University	1,400,000
University of Mary Washington	750,000
University of Virginia	2,000,000
University of Virginia's College at Wise	500,000
Virginia Commonwealth University	4,300,000
Virginia Military Institute	500,000
Virginia Tech	5,800,000
Virginia State University	1,100,000
Richard Bland College	500,000

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Virginia Community College System

2,000,000

Any unexpended balance in this item at the close of business on June 30 each year shall not revert to the general fund, but shall be carried forward and reappropriated. Out of the amount in paragraph I.1. of this item, the Council may use up to one percent of the funds for the administration and evaluation of the activities described in this item.

4. Any allocation under this item shall be subject to performance outcomes established in paragraph I.5. Funds shall be ongoing to ensure successful enrollment and completion for students.

5. The Council shall establish eligibility criteria, establish performance outcomes and monitor performance in consultation with staff from the House Appropriations and the Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees, the Office of the Secretary of Education, and the Department of Planning and Budget."

Page 201, strike lines 1 through 9 and insert:

"6. The Council shall report on activities related to this initiative by November 1 of each year to the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees and the Secretary of Education on the outcomes and effectiveness of the allocated funds. Such report shall include, at minimum, data on recruitment, retention, and graduation of Pell-eligible students at institutions receiving funding and performance against the outcomes established in paragraph I.5."

Page 201, strike lines 11 through 13 and insert:

"second year from the the general fund is designated to offset the impact of programs under § 23.1-608, Code of Virginia."

Page 201, line 19, strike "November 1" and insert "December 15".

Page 201, line 19, after "programs", insert "as of November 15".

Page 201, after line 24, insert:

"K. Out of this appropriation, \$1,000,000 each year from the general fund is designated to support grants to in-state undergraduate students attending Virginia University of Lynchburg to provide collegiate education and not to provide religious training or theological education.

L. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, on or before July 15, 2026, the Comptroller shall revert \$22,850,000 to the general fund representing unspent balances from this program.

M. 1. The State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV), in collaboration with the Department of Veterans Services (DVS) and public colleges and universities, shall collect and report by December 15 of each year data related to the Virginia Military Survivors and Dependents Education Program (VMSDEP) as follows:

a. Approved and active beneficiaries by eligibility category:

- 1) Veterans with 90 percent disability
- 2) Veterans with 100 percent disability
- 3) Gold star beneficiaries

b. Beneficiary classification, reported as aggregate institutional totals:

- 1) Spouses and dependents
- 2) Combat and noncombat qualifying service
- 3) Eligibility pathway, including qualification through DD-214 or through 5 year VA residency
- 4) Residency status at eligibility determination

c. Enrollment and academic utilization:

- 1) Total number of people approved for VMSDEP Eligibility
- 2) Total number of enrolled VMSDEP beneficiaries
- 3) Aggregate counts of full and part time students
- 4) Aggregate counts of enrolled beneficiaries by remaining semesters of eligibility
- 5) Major upon graduation-what degree was conferred

d. For each public college and university:

- 1) Total VMSDEP funding allocation
- 2) Distribution of said allocation.

2. As part of the data collection, SCHEV will ensure an audit of the data is conducted by the Auditor of Public Accounts and include in the annual report the result of the audit for the previous two years.

3. SCHEV and DVS will prepare a glossary of terms for the financial aid offices at each public college and university.

4. DVS and all public colleges and universities shall cooperate with SCHEV in the execution of its responsibilities under this item."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides increased funding for VTAG, grants to in-state undergraduate students, workforce credential grants, and the Virginia Space Grant. In addition, the amendment makes technical clarifying changes to existing programs administered by SCHEV and allows for a pilot transfer grant program utilizing reappropriated balances and transfers certain unused balances. Finally, the amendment requires a cooperative data collection by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, the Department of Veterans Services and public colleges and universities.)

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Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

State Council of Higher Education for
Virginia

(\$250,000)

(\$250,000)

GF

Language:

Page 201, line 38, strike "\$32,923,956" and insert "\$32,673,956".

Page 201, line 38, strike "\$33,238,021" and insert "\$32,988,021".

Page 205, line 2, strike the first "\$750,000" and insert "\$500,000".

Page 205, line 2, strike the second "\$750,000" and insert "\$500,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment defers expansion of the pilot initiative.)

Item 133 #2h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

State Council of Higher Education for
Virginia

(\$1,175,224)

(\$1,175,224)

GF

Language:

Page 201, line 38, strike "\$32,923,956" and insert "\$31,748,732".

Page 201, line 38, strike "\$33,238,021" and insert "\$32,062,797".

Page 203, strike lines 5 through 59 and insert:

"I.1. a. As a condition of this appropriation, \$7,324,776 the first year and \$7,324,776 the second year from the general fund is designated to support the goals of the Innovative Internship Fund and Program, § 23.1-903.4, Code of Virginia, which shall be implemented and identified as the Internships Virginia (InVA) initiative. The funding is designed to expand paid or credit-bearing student internships in collaboration with Virginia employers. In furtherance of the goal of providing all postsecondary students in Virginia with one or more paid internships during their undergraduate course of study, funding shall be used for: (a) institutional grants to enhance engagement with employers related to internship placement and to assist students in securing and successfully completing internships, including students that traditionally do not participate in such programs; (b) administrative and other expenditures to accomplish the purposes of the Innovative Internship Fund and Program and this paragraph.

b. The Council and partners previously identified as the Virginia Talent and Opportunity Partnership (V-TOP) shall adopt the Internships Virginia (InVA) brand implemented by the Virginia Economic Development Partnership, and all programs and grants funded through this item shall be identified by reference to that brand. Funding provided in this item, including any previous or future balances from this initiative, shall be expended exclusively to promote or facilitate paid or credit-bearing internships pursuant to subparagraph 2.

2. Institutional grants shall be awarded to support initiatives that establish or enhance an on-campus internship center or similar one-stop service to assist students and employers with intern placement and that are expected to produce a demonstrated increase in student participation in paid or credit-bearing internship programs. Institutions shall be eligible for grants upon demonstrating that it is a key priority of the institution and its senior academic and administrative leadership to have a coordinated plan to expand internship participation by students, to incorporate internships in curricula, to report completion of internships and courses that include internships on student transcripts, and to remove administrative and financial barriers to internship opportunities. The plan shall include: (i) an implementation timeline, (ii) the allocation of resources and funding strategies to support internships, (iii) the assignment of dedicated personnel to facilitate placement of students in internships and engage with employers, (iv) the identification of how the institution will support students that are less likely to participate in internships, to be employed in an occupation related to their major upon completion of their certificate or degree, or to earn at or above the average earnings of graduates in their program major; (v) opportunities to align existing student employment opportunities on campus to include best practices of an internship program; and (vi) metrics for measuring, reporting, and regularly reviewing progress on the plan. Institutions that have not developed a plan may be eligible for planning grants as long as the planning grants are led by senior academic and administrative leadership. In determining the amount of grant awards, the Council shall consider the number of undergraduate students enrolled at the institution, the number of students at the institution who participate in internships, and the numerical and percentage increase in internship participation expected to result from the initiative. In addition, the Council shall increase grant awards based upon the following factors: (i) an institution's emphasis on internships that are part of pathways to full-time employment with Virginia-based employers; (ii) the institutional initiative's alignment with specific state or regional programs or partnerships related to economic growth and diversification or workforce development in Virginia; (iii) an institution's strength of commitment as reflected in its reallocation of institutional funds or solicitation of philanthropic support or business partnerships to support the initiative. This funding is intended to be recurring for institutions that demonstrate substantial yearly progress in achieving the objectives of the initiative as measured by the number of internships successfully completed by students.

3. In administering the program authorized in this paragraph, the Council shall cooperate with the Virginia Economic Development Partnership and identified partners in carrying out the authority's responsibilities under Item 113 S. of this act for employer-focused activities that expand availability of and access to paid or credit-bearing internships and corresponding pathways leading to full-time Virginia-based employment. In cooperation with the Virginia Economic Development Partnership and identified partners, the Council shall (i) engage stakeholders from business and industry, secondary and higher education, economic development, and state agencies and entities that are successfully engaging employers or successfully operating internship programs; (ii) explore strategies in Virginia and elsewhere on successful institutional, regional, statewide or sector-based internship programs; (iii) gather and report consistent data across institutions regarding current institutional internship practices,

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scale, and outcomes; (iv) develop internship readiness educational resources, delivery methods, and outreach and awareness activities for students and institutional career development personnel; and (v) pursue shared services or other efficiency initiatives, including technological solutions. The Council and VEDP, in consultation with partners, shall establish goals and metrics for internships for employers, students, and institutions that support an increased number of students and employers participating in internships while ensuring the quality of the program. Institutions shall set goals and progress measures aligned with the metrics established by the Council and VEDP related to increasing the number of students participating in internships and shall develop a plan to ensure that existing programs and any new programs developed include internships where appropriate. Institutions shall report to the Council annually regarding progress on these goals. Beginning in fiscal year 2027, the Council and VEDP shall submit an annual report to the Governor and the Chairs of the House Committee on Appropriations and the Senate Committee on Finance and Appropriations on progress meeting the goals and metrics, including institutional progress, and expenses incurred for the activities outlined in this item by November 1 of each year."

Page 204, strike lines 1 through 17.

Explanation:

(This amendment makes technical changes to the internship program to align spending and goals with the VEDP Internship Virginia program and transfers a portion of the funding to support an internship coordinator at DHRM per House Bill 54.)

Item 137 #1h			
Education: Higher Education	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Christopher Newport University	\$850,000	\$850,000	GF

Language:

Page 206, line 22, strike "\$117,767,350" and insert "\$118,617,350".

Page 206, line 22, strike "\$117,029,450" and insert "\$117,879,450".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding for the operation and maintenance of the Integrated Science Center.)

Item 137 #2h			
Education: Higher Education	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Christopher Newport University	\$737,900	\$1,475,800	GF

Language:

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Page 206, line 22, strike "\$117,767,350" and insert "\$118,505,250".

Page 206, line 22, strike "\$117,029,450" and insert "\$118,505,250".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to restore funding provided in Chapter 725 of the 2025 Session for affordable access and tuition moderation not included in the introduced budget.)

Item 141 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

The College of William and Mary in
Virginia

\$520,000
3.00

\$520,000 GF
3.00 FTE

Language:

Page 208, line 12, strike "\$301,698,112" and insert "\$302,218,112".

Page 208, line 12, strike "\$300,659,162" and insert "\$301,179,162".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to maintain and continue the Troops to Teachers program as provided in Chapter 735. The program supports the transition of service members and veterans to new careers as K-12 teachers in Virginia public schools.)

Item 141 #2h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

The College of William and Mary in
Virginia

\$330,000
2.30

\$330,000 GF
2.30 FTE

Language:

Page 208, line 12, strike "\$301,698,112" and insert "\$302,028,112".

Page 208, line 12, strike "\$300,659,162" and insert "\$300,989,162".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to maintain and continue the Community Law Clinic provided in Chapter 725 to serve community members in matters of housing, family law, public benefits, consumer protection, and other litigation issues in the greater Hampton Roads community.)

Item 141 #3h

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Education: Higher Education	FY26-27	FY27-28	
The College of William and Mary in Virginia	\$150,000 1.00	\$150,000 1.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 208, line 12, strike "\$301,698,112" and insert "\$301,848,112".

Page 208, line 12, strike "\$300,659,162" and insert "\$300,809,162".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to maintain and continue the Office of Student Veteran Engagement (OSVE) provided in Chapter 735.)

Item 141 #4h

Education: Higher Education	FY26-27	FY27-28	
The College of William and Mary in Virginia	\$1,038,950	\$2,077,900	GF

Language:

Page 208, line 12, strike "\$301,698,112" and insert "\$302,737,062".

Page 208, line 12, strike "\$300,659,162" and insert "\$302,737,062".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to restore funding provided in Chapter 725 of the 2025 Session for affordable access and tuition moderation not included in the introduced budget.)

Item 143.10 #1h

Education: Higher Education	FY26-27	FY27-28	
The College of William and Mary in Virginia	\$400,000 1.00	\$400,000 1.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 210, after line 29, insert:

"143.10 James Monroe's Highland	\$400,000	\$400,000
Fund Sources: General	\$400,000	\$400,000 "

Page 210, after line 29, insert:

"The amounts provided in this appropriation are designated for the support of James Monroe's Highland."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding for ongoing operations and maintenance of the 466-acre Highland property along with furthering research that engages K-12 students and public visitors in the story of discovery, and for marketing to help increase visitation levels and share the story of James Monroe and Highland. This amendment will be enrolled to Program 502.)

Item 145 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia Institute of Marine Science

\$450,000

\$450,000 GF

Language:

Page 211, line 5, strike "\$36,218,471" and insert "\$36,668,471".

Page 211, line 5, strike "\$36,012,305" and insert "\$36,462,305".

Page 212, after line 41, insert:

"Q. Out of this appropriation, \$450,000 each year from the general fund is designated to enhance Virginia Sea Grant's workforce and professional development programming, and the Commonwealth's capacity to address Chesapeake Bay restoration goals through fellowships with state agencies. Funding will boost capacity and competitiveness of the Virginia Sea Grant program to pursue new federal resources, advance a statewide platform for resilience and expand core workforce development and research in the Commonwealth."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funds for the Virginia Sea Grant program to address Chesapeake Bay restoration goals.)

Item 145 #2h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia Institute of Marine Science

\$1,000,000

\$1,000,000 GF

Language:

Page 211, line 5, strike "\$36,218,471" and insert "\$37,218,471".

Page 211, line 5, strike "\$36,012,305" and insert "\$37,012,305".

Page 212, after line 41, insert:

"Q. 1. Out of this appropriation, \$1,000,000 each year from the general fund is designated for the establishment of an Atlantic menhaden research fund and report. This fund shall be used for Atlantic menhaden research necessary to inform a scientifically defensible and ecologically

meaningful Chesapeake Bay harvest cap. This report will be generated by the Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS) in collaboration with the Virginia Marine Resources Commission, and with the cooperation of relevant stakeholders, including recreational anglers, the reduction and bait fishery sectors, and non-governmental organizations. VIMS will create an annual proposal to draw from the Atlantic menhaden research fund, until delivery of the final report that provides an approach to setting a scientifically-defensible Chesapeake Bay harvest cap. The development of this approach may be informed by research on (i) the seasonal abundance of Atlantic menhaden in the Chesapeake Bay; (ii) the movement rates of Atlantic menhaden between the Atlantic coast and the Chesapeake Bay; (iii) the impacts of predator (e.g. striped bass, osprey, and other species) demand and consumption of Atlantic menhaden on the Atlantic menhaden population; (iv) the spatial and temporal patterns of the Atlantic menhaden commercial fishing effort in the Chesapeake Bay; (v) and the possibility of localized depletion of Atlantic menhaden in the Chesapeake Bay. This work can utilize recommendations from the report delivered October 1, 2023, titled “Atlantic Menhaden Research Planning” and/or the expected December 2026 deliverables from the SCMFIS-funded project titled “Development of a Research Roadmap for Atlantic Menhaden in the Chesapeake Bay.

2. The Virginia Department of Workforce Development and Advancement and the Virginia Economic Development Authority, in consultation with the Menhaden Management Advisory Committee of the Virginia Marine Resource Commission, will contribute analysis and recommendations to the Menhaden report on potential workforce impacts. Beginning with fiscal year 2028 and in subsequent fiscal years thereafter, the Virginia Marine Resource Commission shall provide new scientific data and research products generated under this item by the Virginia Institute of Marine Science, to inform the annual discussion and deliberations of Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission on any proposed changes to the coastwide or Chesapeake Bay total allowable catch levels. The committee report shall include (i) projected workforce impacts from coastwide and Chesapeake Bay changes in total allowable catch, and (ii) recommendations for addressing impacts to workers by changes in total allowable catch.

3. VIMS shall present report progress, current findings and any recommendations, along with their annual proposal to draw from the menhaden fund for the following year to the Chairmen of the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources, the House Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources, the Secretary of Natural and Historic Resources, the Ecological Reference Points Workgroup of the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, and the Menhaden Management Advisory Committee of the Virginia Marine Resources Commission, yearly by October 1."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding for the Atlantic Menhaden Research Fund.)

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Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

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Virginia Institute of Marine Science	\$448,500	\$392,334	GF
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Language:

Page 211, line 5, strike "\$36,218,471" and insert "\$36,666,971".

Page 211, line 5, strike "\$36,012,305" and insert "\$36,404,639".

Page 212, after lines 41, insert:

"Q. Out of this appropriation, \$448,500 the first year from the general fund and \$392,334 the second year from the general fund is designated to support operations at the Virginia Institute of Marine Science."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funds for general operating support at the the Virginia Institute of Marine Science.)

Item 145 #4h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia Institute of Marine Science

(\$898,500)

(\$692,334) GF

Language:

Page 211, line 5, strike "\$36,218,471" and insert "\$35,319,971".

Page 211, line 5, strike "\$36,012,305" and insert "\$35,319,971".

Page 211, line 35, strike "\$785,196" and insert "\$289,096".

Page 211, line 35, strike "\$667,221" and insert "\$289,096".

Page 212, strike lines 40 through 41.

Explanation:

(This amendment repurposes proposed new initiatives in the introduced budget.)

Item 148 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

George Mason University

\$3,700,000

\$3,700,000 GF

Language:

Page 213, line 22, strike "\$856,112,781" and insert "\$859,812,781".

Page 213, line 22, strike "\$841,978,378" and insert "\$845,678,378".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to continue support provided in Chapter 725, 2025 Session for general operating costs and the Small Business Development Centers (SBDC).)

Item 148 #2h

Education: Higher Education

George Mason University

Language

Language:

Page 215, after line 22, insert:

"L. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, George Mason University is authorized to explore, negotiate, and if deemed appropriate, enter into a public-private partnership with Averett University or a successor entity for the purpose of meeting the demands of a rapidly growing economy in Southern Virginia, by increasing access to both undergraduate and graduate level higher education, enhancing workforce training and career pathways, and supporting economic development in Southern Virginia. This authorization is contingent upon the availability of resources, including funding from one or more of the following sources, individually or in combination from (a) GO Virginia Region 3 (Southern Virginia) or other regions of Go Virginia; (b) the Virginia Tobacco Region Revitalization Commission; (c) the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority (VEDP); (d) Danville Regional Foundation; (e) Future of the Piedmont Foundation; (f) Southern Virginia Regional Alliance (SVRA), or (g) any other trusts, foundations, philanthropic organizations, local governments, or private entities or businesses."

Explanation:

(This amendment authorizes GMU to enter into a public-private partnership with Averett University.)

Item 148 #3h

Education: Higher Education

George Mason University

Language

Language:

Page 215, after line 22, insert:

"L. George Mason University is authorized to host the State Climate Office to develop and deliver data, analyses, assessments and expertise about Virginia's weather and climate related impacts, risks and risk management options to state and local government agencies, businesses, and communities of place or practice in the Commonwealth. The State Climate Office will serve as representative to national meteorological, climatological, and hydrological associations to better leverage federal agency partnerships and interstate collaboration to address real-time weather and climate challenges."

Explanation:

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(This amendment provides authorization for George Mason University to host the State Climate Office.)

Item 148 #4h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

George Mason University

\$250,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 213, line 22, strike "\$856,112,781" and insert "\$856,362,781".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding for the development of a Civics Education Program at the Schar School.)

Item 148 #5h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

George Mason University

\$1,000,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 213, line 22, strike "\$856,112,781" and insert "\$857,112,781".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to develop and scale the AI Innovation Nexus, a strategic initiative integrating education, research, workforce development and public service.)

Item 148 #6h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

George Mason University

\$3,716,000

\$7,432,000 GF

Language:

Page 213, line 22, strike "\$856,112,781" and insert "\$859,828,781".

Page 213, line 22, strike "\$841,978,378" and insert "\$849,410,378".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to restore funding provided in Chapter 725 of the 2025 Session for affordable access and tuition moderation not included in the introduced budget.)

Item 152 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

James Madison University

\$0
0.00

\$1,000,000 GF
14.69 FTE

Language:

Page 216, line 42, strike "\$457,060,106" and insert "\$458,060,106".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to continue the program provided for in Chapter 725 to increase the number of nursing graduates by 30 each year through the JMU "Fast Flex" Nursing Program. The program will allow students to complete their core nursing course work in one calendar year, as opposed to two academic years, getting nurses in the field quicker. Classes, which will be delivered in a hybrid of on-campus and online formats, as well as clinical placements will take place on nights and weekends. The program will be open to anyone who has earned 36 credit hours, completed certain prerequisite courses, and met other criteria. Resources requested to launch this program will cover expenses related to program faculty, support staff, supplies, technology needs, and student scholarships.)

Item 152 #2h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

James Madison University

\$500,000
2.00

\$500,000 GF
2.00 FTE

Language:

Page 216, line 42, strike "\$456,126,379" and insert "\$456,626,379".

Page 216, line 42, strike "\$457,060,106" and insert "\$457,560,106".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding for the operation and maintenance of the newly renovated and expanded Carrier Library.)

Item 152 #3h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

James Madison University

\$1,969,450

\$3,938,900 GF

Language:

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Page 216, line 42, strike "\$456,126,379" and insert "\$458,095,829".

Page 216, line 42, strike "\$457,060,106" and insert "\$460,999,006".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to restore funding provided in Chapter 725 of the 2025 Session for affordable access and tuition moderation not included in the introduced budget.)

Item 156 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Longwood University

\$590,950

\$1,181,900 GF

Language:

Page 219, line 5, strike "\$96,884,253" and insert "\$97,475,203".

Page 219, line 5, strike "\$96,293,303" and insert "\$97,475,203".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to restore funding provided in Chapter 725 of the 2025 Session for affordable access and tuition moderation not included in the introduced budget.)

Item 160 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Norfolk State University

\$12,500,000

\$12,500,000 GF

Language:

Page 220, line 46, strike "\$158,218,457" and insert "\$170,718,457".

Page 220, line 46, strike "\$157,560,357" and insert "\$170,060,357".

Page 222, strike lines 15 through 27 and insert:

"H. Out of this appropriation, \$12,500,000 each year from the general fund is designated for Norfolk State University, in partnership with Virginia State University, to collaborate with Virginia Union University and Hampton University and various localities throughout the Commonwealth to (a) create Minority Small Business Launch and Innovation Centers that support entrepreneurship customized to minority community needs, (b) improve health outcomes of vulnerable and marginalized populations in their surrounding localities through research, education, workforce development and outreach, (c) expand and upgrade broadband and technology in order to close the digital divide and provide students with additional tech job training, (d) actively engage with local public school districts to provide opportunities and awareness of post-secondary programs and curriculum, (e) initiate a pilot program to provide workforce credentials in the healthcare and trade sectors and (f) support the creation of an

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HBCU NoVA Campus by establishing an off-campus instruction site at Northern Virginia Community College in order to provide an opportunity to expand the HBCU presence in Northern Virginia, and access and opportunity to an increasing population of students seeking a four-year degree."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to continue the initiative provided for in Chapter 725 to expand the ongoing HBCU collaboration that includes Norfolk State University, Virginia State University, Hampton University, and Virginia Union University. The language also authorizes the creation of a pilot program to provide workforce credentials in the healthcare and trade sectors.)

Item 160 #2h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Norfolk State University

\$4,200,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 220, line 46, strike "\$158,218,457" and insert "\$162,418,457".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to continue the replacement of existing finance, human resources and student information systems.)

Item 160 #3h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Norfolk State University

\$658,100

\$1,316,200 GF

Language:

Page 220, line 46, strike "\$158,218,457" and insert "\$158,876,557".

Page 220, line 46, strike "\$157,560,357" and insert "\$158,876,557".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to restore funding provided in Chapter 725 of the 2025 Session for affordable access and tuition moderation not included in the introduced budget.)

Item 164 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

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Old Dominion University	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000	GF
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Language:

Page 224, line 7, strike "\$410,198,286" and insert "\$417,198,286".

Page 224, line 7, strike "\$407,818,186" and insert "\$414,818,186".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to continue support provided in Chapter 725, 2025 Session for general operating costs.)

Item 164 #2h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Old Dominion University

\$2,380,100

\$4,760,200 GF

Language:

Page 224, line 7, strike "\$410,198,286" and insert "\$412,578,386".

Page 224, line 7, strike "\$407,818,186" and insert "\$412,578,386".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to restore funding provided in Chapter 725 of the 2025 Session for affordable access and tuition moderation not included in the introduced budget.)

Item 171 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Radford University

\$0

\$2,083,000 GF

Language:

Page 230, line 2, strike "\$191,712,884" and insert "\$193,795,884".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides continuation of Chapter 725 funding to support the nursing program faculty to educate the increase in nursing students at the university.)

Item 171 #2h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Radford University

\$900,050

\$1,800,100 GF

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Language:

Page 230, line 2, strike "\$194,696,050" and insert "\$195,596,100".

Page 230, line 2, strike "\$191,712,884" and insert "\$193,512,984".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to restore funding provided in Chapter 725 of the 2025 Session for affordable access and tuition moderation not included in the introduced budget.)

Item 175 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Richard Bland College

\$154,350

\$308,700

GF

Language:

Page 232, line 8, strike "\$22,247,541" and insert "\$22,401,891".

Page 232, line 8, strike "\$22,093,191" and insert "\$22,401,891".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to restore funding provided in Chapter 725 of the 2025 Session for affordable access and tuition moderation not included in the introduced budget.)

Item 179 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

University of Mary Washington

\$0

\$740,000

GF

0.00

2.00

FTE

Language:

Page 234, line 16, strike "\$108,659,124" and insert "\$109,399,124".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides continuation of Chapter 725 funding to support a Master's of Science in Nursing (MSN) with tracks for both Nursing Educators and Nurse Practitioners.)

Item 179 #2h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

University of Mary Washington

\$3,400,000

\$0

GF

Language:

Committee Approved Amendments to House Bill 30, as Introduced

Page 234, line 16, strike "\$109,984,774" and insert "\$113,384,774".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to continue the replacement of existing finance, human resources and student information systems.)

Item 179 #3h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

University of Mary Washington

\$585,650

\$1,171,300 GF

Language:

Page 234, line 16, strike "\$109,984,774" and insert "\$110,570,424".

Page 234, line 16, strike "\$108,659,124" and insert "\$109,830,424".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to restore funding provided in Chapter 725 of the 2025 Session for affordable access and tuition moderation not included in the introduced budget.)

Item 179 #4h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

University of Mary Washington

\$1,700,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 234, line 16, strike "\$109,984,774" and insert "\$111,684,774".

Page 235, after line 26, insert:

"G. Out of this appropriation, \$1,700,000 the first year from the general fund is designated to support planning for the establishment of the Mary Washington College of Medicine through a public-private partnership between the University of Mary Washington and Mary Washington Healthcare. The funding will support:

(i) development of an innovative, cost-efficient medical education model that evaluates opportunities to shorten time to degree, reduce student cost, leverage existing public and private assets, and emphasize early and sustained clinical education, with the goal of minimizing long-term financial exposure to the Commonwealth while maximizing workforce return on investment and prioritizing the recruitment and retention of Virginia students;

(ii) program and curriculum development necessary to meet SCHEV, SACSCOC, and LCME requirements, with a specific focus on training primary care physicians and expanding primary care/obstetrics pathways to improve maternal health outcomes in rural and underserved areas,

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establishing a diverse, Virginia-centered pipeline that engages students from the community beginning in high school, through undergraduate education, partnering with other higher education institutions in underserved areas and/or with underserved students, medical schools, and in-state residency training, and evaluating strategies to incentivize graduates to remain in Virginia to practice, including loan repayment, tuition assistance, and service-based commitment models;

(iii) creation of the governance, legal, and regulatory framework required for a public-private medical school, including accreditation strategy, academic affiliation agreements, faculty and residency alignment, and operational policies;

(iv) early accreditation preparation and institutional readiness activities to position the school for enrollment by fall 2029;

(v) independent financial review to validate the long-term feasibility and sustainability of a high-value, workforce-oriented medical school model and to ensure that upfront planning reduces future costs to the Commonwealth;

(vi) architectural and capital asset review to assess modifications and space needs across existing facilities to support a clinically integrated educational approach;

(vii) evaluation and expansion planning for learning resources, including medical library collections; and

(viii) project management and operating support to coordinate planning activities across both institutions and regional partners."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to plan for the establishment of the Mary Washington College of Medicine through a public-private partnership between the University of Mary Washington and Mary Washington Healthcare.)

Item 186 #1h			
Education: Higher Education	FY26-27	FY27-28	
University of Virginia	\$300,000 1.00	\$300,000 1.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 236, line 47, strike "\$1,482,015,341" and insert "\$1,482,315,341".

Page 236, line 47, strike "\$1,479,026,991" and insert "\$1,479,326,991".

Page 237, line 31, strike the first "\$2,476,467" and insert "\$2,776,467".

Page 237, line 31, strike the second "\$2,476,467" and insert "\$2,776,467".

Explanation:

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(This amendment provides funding to grow and enhance a network of regional humanities centers to promote and preserve local histories, stories and traditions.)

Item 186 #2h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

University of Virginia

\$200,000

\$200,000

GF

Language:

Page 236, line 47, strike "\$1,482,015,341" and insert "\$1,482,215,341".

Page 236, line 47, strike "\$1,479,026,991" and insert "\$1,479,226,991".

Page 238, line 13, strike the first "\$304,927" and insert "\$504,927".

Page 238, line 13, strike the second "\$304,927" and insert "\$504,927".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to support educational and environmental programs and outreach at the State Arboretum.)

Item 186 #3h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

University of Virginia

\$2,988,350

\$5,976,700

GF

Language:

Page 236, line 47, strike "\$1,482,015,341" and insert "\$1,485,003,691".

Page 236, line 47, strike "\$1,479,026,991" and insert "\$1,485,003,691".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to restore funding provided in Chapter 725 of the 2025 Session for affordable access and tuition moderation not included in the introduced budget.)

Item 186 #4h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

University of Virginia

\$250,000

\$0

GF

Language:

Page 236, line 47, strike "\$1,482,015,341" and insert "\$1,482,265,341".

Page 238, line 9, after "F.", insert "1."

Page 238, after line 11, insert:

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"2. a. The University of Virginia, in coordination with any other entity it deems appropriate, shall develop type 1 diabetes informational materials to be made available through the University's internet website to each school district, county office of education, and charter school for distribution to the parents and guardians of pupils when the pupil is first enrolled in elementary school and yearly thereafter.

b. Informational materials provided to parents and guardians may include, but shall not be limited to, (i) a description of type 1 diabetes, (ii) a description of the risk factors and warning signs associated with type 1 diabetes, (iii) a description of the need for screening for all students for early detection of type 1 diabetes using a blood autoantibody test, and (iv) a recommendation regarding those pupils displaying warning signs associated with type 1 diabetes or positive early detection screening results that the parents or guardians of those pupils should immediately consult with the pupil's primary care provider to develop an appropriate treatment plan, which may include consultation with and examination by a specialty care provider, including, but not limited to, a properly qualified endocrinologist."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides one-time funding for the Virginia Center for Diabetes Professional Education at the University of Virginia to develop and make available Type 1 diabetes information for parents and guardians of pupils.)

Item 193 #1h			
Education: Higher Education	FY26-27	FY27-28	
University of Virginia's College at Wise	\$500,000	\$500,000	GF

Language:

Page 241, line 48, strike "\$49,537,942" and insert "\$50,037,942".

Page 241, line 48, strike "\$49,297,042" and insert "\$49,797,042".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to support cost increases for enrollment growth, retention and tuition moderation.)

Item 193 #2h			
Education: Higher Education	FY26-27	FY27-28	
University of Virginia's College at Wise	\$240,900	\$481,800	GF

Language:

Committee Approved Amendments to House Bill 30, as Introduced

Page 241, line 48, strike "\$49,537,942" and insert "\$49,778,842".

Page 241, line 48, strike "\$49,297,042" and insert "\$49,778,842".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to restore funding provided in Chapter 725 of the 2025 Session for affordable access and tuition moderation not included in the introduced budget.)

Item 197 #1h		
Education: Higher Education	FY26-27	FY27-28
Virginia Commonwealth University	\$250,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 243, line 33, strike "\$807,664,839" and insert "\$807,914,839".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding for proof of concept research in Rare Earth Mineral Salvage and Recycling business plan development.)

Item 197 #2h		
Education: Higher Education	FY26-27	FY27-28
Virginia Commonwealth University	\$300,000	\$300,000 GF

Language:

Page 243, line 33, strike "\$807,664,839" and insert "\$807,964,839".

Page 243, line 33, strike "\$804,033,239" and insert "\$804,333,239".

Page 244, after line 34 insert:

"4. Out of this appropriation, \$300,000 each year from the general fund is designated for the operation of the Virginia Memory Project for the purposes established in § 23.1-2311.1, Code of Virginia."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to support the work of the Virginia Memory Project at VCU's Center on Aging.)

Item 197 #3h		
Education: Higher Education	FY26-27	FY27-28

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Virginia Commonwealth University	(\$1,900,000)	(\$1,900,000)	GF
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Language:

Page 243, line 33, strike "\$807,664,839" and insert "\$805,764,839".

Page 243, line 33, strike "\$804,033,239" and insert "\$802,133,239".

Explanation:

(This amendment repurposes proposed new funding in the introduced budget.)

Item 197 #4h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia Commonwealth University

\$3,631,600

\$7,263,200

GF

Language:

Page 243, line 33, strike "\$807,664,839" and insert "\$811,296,439".

Page 243, line 33, strike "\$804,033,239" and insert "\$811,296,439".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to restore funding provided in Chapter 725 of the 2025 Session for affordable access and tuition moderation not included in the introduced budget.)

Item 199 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia Commonwealth University

\$1,000,000

\$1,000,000

GF

Language:

Page 247, line 3, strike "\$470,740,036" and insert "\$471,740,036".

Page 247, line 3, strike "\$470,740,036" and insert "\$471,740,036".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding for increased research and training at the Pauley Heart Center to include cardiac sonographer training, critical care and heart failure management training, clinical and translational research, and continuing education for urban and rural providers.)

Item 203 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

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Virginia Community College System	\$250,000	\$250,000	GF
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Language:

Page 248, line 38, strike "\$1,133,102,657" and insert "\$1,133,352,657".

Page 248, line 38, strike "\$1,129,281,607" and insert "\$1,129,531,607".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to support the expansion of the Aviation Maintenance Technology Program at Blue Ridge Community College.)

Item 203 #2h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia Community College System	\$350,000	\$350,000	GF
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Language:

Page 248, line 38, strike "\$1,133,102,657" and insert "\$1,133,452,657".

Page 248, line 38, strike "\$1,129,281,607" and insert "\$1,129,631,607".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to establish a radiologic technologist program at Rappahannock Community College.)

Item 203 #3h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia Community College System	\$250,000	\$250,000	GF
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Language:

Page 248, line 38, strike "\$1,133,102,657" and insert "\$1,133,352,657".

Page 248, line 38, strike "\$1,129,281,607" and insert "\$1,129,531,607".

Page 251, line 45, strike the first "\$250,000" and insert "\$500,000".

Page 251, line 45, strike the second "\$250,000" and insert "\$500,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to the existing skilled-trades workforce program at Northern Virginia Community College.)

Item 203 #4h

Committee Approved Amendments to House Bill 30, as Introduced

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia Community College System

\$1,611,000

\$1,611,000 GF

Language:

Page 248, line 38, strike "\$1,133,102,657" and insert "\$1,134,713,657".

Page 248, line 38, strike "\$1,129,281,607" and insert "\$1,130,892,607".

Page 251, line 29, strike the first "\$1,500,000" and insert "\$3,111,000".

Page 251, line 29, strike the second "\$1,500,000" and insert "\$3,111,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to implement and expand the Aviation Maintenance Technician (AMT) Program at Blue Ridge (BRCC) and Danville (DCC) Community Colleges.)

Item 203 #5h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia Community College System

\$30,000,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 248, line 38, strike "\$1,133,102,657" and insert "\$1,163,102,657".

Page 252, strike lines 4 through 9 and insert:

"EE. Out of this appropriation \$30,000,000 the first year from the general fund is designated for the expansion of career technical education programs and workforce development across the Virginia Community College System (VCCS). The funding is expected to serve an additional 900 students in Nursing, Dental Hygiene, Radiography / Sonography, EMT / Paramedics, Medical Laboratory Technician, Respiratory Therapy, Licensed Practical Nursing, Medical Assisting, Surgical Technology, Patient Care Technology, Behavioral Health Technology, MRI Technician, and Physical Therapy. In addition, the funding will allow for the expansion of capacity to serve an addition 1,000 students in workforce development programs for heavy equipment operators, diesel technicians, industrial maintenance, marine pipefitting, welding, marine electrical, power line workers, diesel repair, HVAC, fiber technicians, and commercial driving licenses."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to support the expansion of career technical education and workforce development programs in the VCCS.)

Item 203 #6h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

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Virginia Community College System	\$3,821,050	\$7,642,100	GF
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Language:

Page 248, line 38, strike "\$1,133,102,657" and insert "\$1,136,923,707".

Page 248, line 38, strike "\$1,129,281,607" and insert "\$1,136,923,707".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to restore funding provided in Chapter 725 of the 2025 Session for affordable access and tuition moderation not included in the introduced budget.)

Item 206 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia Community College System	(\$1,752,512)	(\$1,752,512)	GF
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Language:

Page 257, line 35, strike "\$94,027,341" and insert "\$92,274,829".

Page 257, line 35, strike "\$94,027,341" and insert "\$92,274,829".

Page 257, strike lines 44 through 51.

Page 258, strike lines 1 through 2.

Explanation:

(This amendment transfers funding related to the A.L. Philpott Manufacturing Extension Partnership / GenEDGE and fiscal agent responsibilities from the VCCS to the New College Institute. There is a companion amendment in Item 237.10.)

Item 209 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia Military Institute	\$290,050	\$580,100	GF
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Language:

Page 260, line 13, strike "\$62,224,290" and insert "\$62,514,340".

Page 260, line 13, strike "\$61,934,240" and insert "\$62,514,340".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to restore funding provided in Chapter 725 of the 2025 Session for affordable access and tuition moderation not included in the introduced budget.)

Item 214 #1h

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Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and
State University

\$550,000

\$550,000 GF

Language:

Page 262, line 29, strike "\$1,134,711,020" and insert "\$1,135,261,020".

Page 262, line 29, strike "\$1,131,519,520" and insert "\$1,132,069,520".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to increase the number of slots from 50 to 60 for Virginia students applying for admission for the Class of 2031 based on a recommendation from House Joint 43 (2024 General Assembly) to address the large animal veterinarians shortage.)

Item 214 #2h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and
State University

\$6,500,000

\$6,500,000 GF

Language:

Page 262, line 29, strike "\$1,134,711,020" and insert "\$1,141,211,020".

Page 262, line 29, strike "\$1,131,519,520" and insert "\$1,138,019,520".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to support enrollment growth at the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine (VTC SOM). Funding will support expansion of faculty and support staff, development of accelerated pathways to completion, and ability to provide for lower tuition for in-state students.)

Item 214 #3h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and
State University

(\$1,900,000)

(\$1,900,000) GF

Language:

Page 262, line 29, strike "\$1,134,711,020" and insert "\$1,132,811,020".

Page 262, line 29, strike "\$1,131,519,520" and insert "\$1,129,619,520".

Explanation:

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(This amendment repurposes proposed new funding in the introduced budget.)

Item 214 #4h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and
State University

\$3,191,500

\$6,383,000 GF

Language:

Page 262, line 29, strike "\$1,134,711,020" and insert "\$1,137,902,520".

Page 262, line 29, strike "\$1,131,519,520" and insert "\$1,137,902,520".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to restore funding provided in Chapter 725 of the 2025 Session for affordable access and tuition moderation not included in the introduced budget.)

Item 220 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia State University

\$12,500,000

\$12,500,000 GF

Language:

Page 267, line 25, strike "\$129,008,555" and insert "\$141,508,555".

Page 267, line 25, strike "\$128,403,505" and insert "\$140,903,505".

Page 269, strike lines 2 through 14 and insert:

"I. Out of this appropriation, \$12,500,000 each year from the general fund is designated for Virginia State University, in partnership with Norfolk State University, to collaborate with Virginia Union University and Hampton University and various localities throughout the Commonwealth to (a) create Minority Small Business Launch and Innovation Centers that support entrepreneurship customized to minority community needs, (b) improve health outcomes of vulnerable and marginalized populations in their surrounding localities through research, education, workforce development and outreach, (c) expand and upgrade broadband and technology in order to close the digital divide and provide students with additional tech job training, (d) actively engage with local public school districts to provide opportunities and awareness of post-secondary programs and curriculum, (e) initiate a pilot program to provide workforce credentials in the healthcare and trade sectors and (f) support the creation of an HBCU NoVA Campus by establishing an off-campus instruction site at Northern Virginia Community College in order to provide an opportunity to expand the HBCU presence in Northern Virginia, and access and opportunity to an increasing population of students seeking a four-year degree."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to continue the initiative provided for in Chapter 725 to expand the ongoing HBCU collaboration that includes Norfolk State University, Virginia State University, Hampton University, and Virginia Union University. The language also authorizes the creation of a pilot program to provide workforce credentials in the healthcare and trade sectors.)

Item 220 #2h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia State University

\$2,000,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 267, line 25, strike "\$129,008,555" and insert "\$131,008,555".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to continue the replacement of existing finance, human resources and student information systems.)

Item 220 #3h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia State University

\$605,050

\$1,210,100 GF

Language:

Page 267, line 25, strike "\$129,008,555" and insert "\$129,613,605".

Page 267, line 25, strike "\$128,403,505" and insert "\$129,613,605".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to restore funding provided in Chapter 725 of the 2025 Session for affordable access and tuition moderation not included in the introduced budget.)

Item 224 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Cooperative Extension and
Agricultural Research Services

\$500,000

\$500,000 GF

Language:

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Page 270, line 20, strike "\$21,296,772" and insert "\$21,796,772".

Page 270, line 20, strike "\$21,296,772" and insert "\$21,796,772".

Explanation:

(This amendment requests funding to strengthen statewide cooperative extension, applied research programs and the Small Farm Outreach Program.)

Item 230 #1h		
Education: Other Education	FY26-27	FY27-28
The Library Of Virginia	\$1,500,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 273, line 9, strike "\$27,429,726" and insert "\$28,929,726".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$1.5 million the first year from the general fund to increase state aid to local public libraries.)

Item 237 #1h		
Education: Higher Education	FY26-27	FY27-28
New College Institute	\$0	\$3,200,000 GF

Language:

Page 276, line 24, strike "\$1,597,035" and insert "\$4,797,035".

Page 276, strike lines 40 through 50.

Page 277, strike lines 1 through 10.

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to restore the proposed elimination of the New College Institute.)

Item 237.10 #1h		
Education: Higher Education	FY26-27	FY27-28
New College Institute	\$2,252,512	\$2,252,512 GF

Language:

Page 277, after line 10, insert:

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"237.10 A.L. Philpott Manufacturing Extension Partnership (Program 53400)	\$2,252,512	\$2,252,512
Fund Sources: General	\$2,252,512	\$2,252,512 "

Page 277, after line 10, insert:

"E.1. Out of this appropriation, \$666,162 each year from the general fund is designated for the A.L. Philpott Manufacturing Extension Partnership, a political subdivision of the Commonwealth per § 23.1-3101, Code of Virginia, doing business as GenEdge Alliance, with New College Institute currently acting as fiscal agent.

2. Out of this appropriation, \$1,086,350 each year from the general fund is designated for the A.L. Philpott Manufacturing Extension Partnership, with New College Institute currently acting as fiscal agent, for an ongoing match for a grant from the U.S. Department of Commerce to develop a manufacturer assistance program covering all of Virginia.

3. Out of this appropriation, \$500,000 each year from the general fund is designated for the A.L. Philpott Manufacturing Extension Partnership, with New College Institute currently acting as fiscal agent, as a match for a grant from the U.S. Department of Energy to develop the Virginia Smart Manufacturing Accelerator program, covering all of Virginia."

Explanation:

(This amendment transfers funding and fiscal agent responsibilities for the A.L. Philpott Manufacturing Extension Partnership / GenEDGE from the VCCS to the New College Institute.)

Item 238 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Institute for Advanced Learning and Research

(\$2,320,000)
\$2,320,000

(\$2,320,000) GF
\$2,320,000 NGF

Language:

Explanation:

(This amendment defers a portion of a new initiative expansion and requires a 1:1 match from partner organizations.)

Item 239 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Roanoke Higher Education Authority

\$140,000

\$140,000 GF

Language:

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Page 277, line 37, strike "\$2,903,651" and insert "\$3,043,651".

Page 277, line 37, strike "\$2,903,651" and insert "\$3,043,651".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides the continuation of funding provided in Chapter 725 for hiring a security guard as the Center continues to grow and increase programming. In addition, the funding will allow for additional hours for contract services from Admiral Security Service.)

Item 239 #2h

Education: Higher Education	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Roanoke Higher Education Authority	\$80,000	\$80,000	GF

Language:

Page 277, line 37, strike "\$2,903,651" and insert "\$2,983,651".

Page 277, line 37, strike "\$2,903,651" and insert "\$2,983,651".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides the continuation of funding provided in Chapter 725 to support a day porter that is needed to properly maintain facilities and provide the best customer service possible for students, staff, and visitors.)

Item 240 #1h

Education: Higher Education	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Southern Virginia Higher Education Center	\$250,000 3.00	\$250,000 3.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 278, line 2, strike "\$7,622,330" and insert "\$7,872,330".

Page 278, line 2, strike "\$7,622,330" and insert "\$7,872,330".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding for instructors in high demand programs including automation, robotics, HVAC, information technology and welding.)

Item 241 #1h

Education: Higher Education	FY26-27	FY27-28
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Southwest Virginia Higher Education
Center

\$200,000

\$200,000 GF

Language:

Page 279, line 2, strike "\$5,756,152" and insert "\$5,956,152".

Page 279, line 2, strike "\$5,756,152" and insert "\$5,956,152".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to support allied health and nursing programs in collaboration with VCU, Radford, the VCCS and other local entities.)

Item 243 #1h

Education: Higher Education

Maintain Affordable Access

Language

Language:

Page 280, strike lines 2 through 13 and insert "Omitted",

Explanation:

(This amendment removes proposed language that is no longer required as separate items restore Chapter 725 funding that addresses tuition moderation, HBCU public-private partnerships, health care shortages, operating support supplements, workforce needs and financial aid.)

Item 257 #1h

Finance

Department of Accounts Transfer Payments

Language

Language:

Page 288, line 23, before "The", insert "A."

Page 288, after line 25, insert:

"B. On or before August 1, 2026, the Director, Department of Planning and Budget, shall transfer balances from fund 09006 in Agency 162 to fund 09006 in Agency 236. Transferred amounts shall be utilized to support the Florence Neal Cooper Smith Sickle Cell Research Endowed Chair."

Explanation:

(This technical language amendment clarifies the end designation and use of monies appropriated in a prior budget.)

Item 260 #1h

Finance	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Taxation	\$317,384	\$12,500 GF

Language:

Page 290, line 44, strike "\$6,351,067" and insert "\$6,668,451".

Page 290, line 44, strike "\$6,351,067" and insert "\$6,363,567".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$317,384 the first year and \$12,500 the second year from the general fund for the Department of Taxation to implement bills passed by the House of Delegates.)

Item 264 #1h

Finance	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of the Treasury	\$1,312,810	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 297, line 9, strike "\$65,927,279" and insert "\$67,240,089".

Page 297, after line 43, insert:

"F. Out of this appropriation, \$1,312,810 the first year from the general fund is provided to make a payment to Mr. Messiah Johnson in accordance with § 8.01-195.11, Code of Virginia, and House Bill 1472 passed by the 2026 General Assembly. Notwithstanding subsection D. of § 8.01-195.11 of the Code of Virginia, no amounts shall be deducted for transition grants received."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$1.3 million in the first year from the general fund for a payment to Mr. Messiah Johnson pursuant to House Bill 1472.)

Item 264 #2h

Finance	Language
Department of the Treasury	

Language:

Page 297, after line 43, insert:

"F. All remaining balances owed to Mr. Victor Burnette by the insurer in the annuity originally

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provided in accordance with Chapter 618, 2010 Acts of Assembly, shall be paid to Mr. Burnette in full no later than June 30, 2027 by the insurer. The payment shall be a single lump-sum payment. Upon payment of the lump sum required by this act, the insurer's obligations to make any further payments under the annuity are terminated, fully satisfied, and discharged, and no additional amounts shall be due to Mr. Burnette under that annuity. The amount paid shall reflect discounting to the date's value as of the date of disbursement."

Explanation:

(This language amendment directs a full payout of remaining annuity amounts owed to Mr. Victor Burnette. Mr. Burnette was awarded a wrongful incarceration claim in 2010 in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 618, 2010 Acts of Assembly. This language directs payment of the remaining balance to Mr. Burnette in accordance with current policy whereby wrongful incarceration claims are paid as single lump sum amounts. There is no cost to the state for this amendment.)

Item 265 #1h			
Finance	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of the Treasury	\$182,000	\$182,000	NGF
	2.00	2.00	FTE

Language:

Page 297, line 44, strike "\$18,457,046" and insert "\$18,639,046".

Page 297, line 44, strike "\$18,457,046" and insert "\$18,639,046".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$182,000 each year in nongeneral fund appropriation and two positions to expedite the processing and return of unclaimed property to localities and nonprofit organizations.)

Item 265 #2h			
Finance	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of the Treasury	\$0	\$120,000	NGF

Language:

Page 297, line 44, strike "\$18,457,046" and insert "\$18,577,046".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$120,000 the second year in nongeneral fund appropriation for the Department of the Treasury to implement the provisions of House Bill 798, dealing with the

disposition of unclaimed property in the form of digital assets.)

Item 270 #1h

Health and Human Resources

Secretary of Health and Human Resources

Language

Language:

Page 306, after line 52, insert:

"C. The Secretary of Health and Human Resources and the Secretary of Labor shall coordinate efforts to ensure applicants and individuals enrolled in the Medicaid expansion program pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1396d(y)(1)[2010] of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act who are subject to work requirements pursuant to House Resolution 1 (H.R. 1), Public Law 119-21, 119th Congress (2025-2026), are connected to work opportunities, including job search, job training, education, job placement assistance, employment, and community service opportunities. Coordination shall include agency data sharing to the extent allowed by federal and state laws to identify and provide outreach and assistance to affected individuals. In addition, agencies in the Health and Human Resources and Labor Secretariat shall make efforts to work with community providers to assist in these efforts. The Secretaries of Health and Human Resources and Labor shall provide a progress report on these efforts to the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriation Committees by December 1, 2026."

Explanation:

(This amendment adds language requiring coordination by the Secretaries of Health and Human Resources and Labor in connecting applicants and enrollees in Medicaid expansion to work opportunities. These individuals will be subject to work requirements beginning January 1, 2027 and eligibility redeterminations every six months, rather than annually under current law. These changes are required pursuant to the federal legislation passed by Congress, July 2025.)

Item 272 #1h

Health and Human Resources

Children's Services Act

Language

Language:

Page 311, after line 8, insert:

"3. The Office shall annually report for private day school placements the total and per pupil local and state costs and the number of students served, disaggregated by school division and primary disability category. The report shall also include local match rates. For the purpose of this report, the number of students and per pupil costs shall be adjusted to reflect length of enrollment in the program. The Office shall collaborate with the Department of Education to

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ensure that the data from this report is comparable and aligned with the annual report produced for the SISNA program. Such report shall be posted to the Office's website annually no later than December 1, 2026."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides an annual report on CSA-funded private day school placement costs, aligned in a manner to be comparable to a report on SISNA funded student costs produced by the Department of Education. The SISNA report is established in a companion amendment in Item 125.)

Item 272 #2h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Children's Services Act

(\$100,000)

(\$100,000) GF

Language:

Page 310, line 36, strike "\$3,100,312" and insert "\$3,000,312".

Page 310, line 36, strike "\$3,100,312" and insert "\$3,000,312".

Page 310, strike lines 42 through 45.

Page 310, strike line 46, strike:

"placements and make recommendations to the local education agency."

Explanation:

(This amendment removes \$100,000 each year from the general fund and removes language directing the Office of Children's Services to contract with the Department of Education's Office of Special Education to conduct a review of private day placement decisions since the contract was completed.)

Item 274 #1h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Health

Language

Language:

Page 312, line 25, after "Board of Health", insert:

"and the Virginia Health Workforce Development Authority".

Page 312, line 27, after "thereof.", strike the remainder of the line.

Page 312, strike lines 28 and 29.

Page 313, strike line 19 through 33 and insert:

"D.1. Out of this appropriation, \$9,571,000 the first year and \$9,571,000 the second year from the general fund shall be provided to the Virginia Health Workforce Development Authority for

the administration of nursing scholarship and loan programs pursuant to the passage of House Bill 815. The Authority may move appropriation between scholarship or loan repayment programs as long as the scholarship or loan repayment is in accordance with promulgated regulations.

2. Of the appropriation in D.1., \$3,600,000 the first year and \$3,600,000 the second year from the general fund shall be provided for the Nursing Preceptor Incentive Program. The Authority shall collaborate with the advisory board to the Virginia Nursing Workforce Center pursuant to the provisions of House Bill 815 and other relevant stakeholders on a nursing student preceptor grant program. The program shall offer up to a \$5,000 incentive for any Virginia licensed physician, physician's assistant, licensed practical nurse, registered nurse, or advanced practice registered nurse (APRN) who, in conjunction with a licensed and accredited Virginia public or private not-for-profit school of nursing, provides a clinical education rotation up to 250 hours, which is certified as having been completed by the school. The amount of the incentive may be adjusted based on the actual number of hours completed during the clinical education rotation. The program shall seek to reduce the shortage of registered nurse clinical education opportunities especially in high demand fields such as psychiatry and anesthesiology." Page 313, strike line 34 through 35.

Page 313, line 36, strike "E. Out of this appropriation" and insert:

"3. Of the appropriation in D.1."

Page 313, line 40, strike "F.1. Out of this appropriation" and insert:

"4. Of the appropriation in D.1."

Page 313, line 49, strike "2. Out of this appropriation" and insert:

"a. Of the appropriation in D.4."

Page 314, line 2, strike "3. Out of this appropriation" and insert:

"b. Of the appropriation in D.4."

Page 314, line 4, strike "Commissioner of Health" and insert:

"Virginia Health Workforce Development Authority".

Page 314, line 5, strike "department" and insert "Authority".

Page 314, line 6, strike "4. Out of this appropriation" and insert:

"c. Of the appropriation in D.4."

Page 314, line 9, strike "department" and insert "Authority".

Page 314, after line 19, insert:

"5. Of the appropriation in D.1., \$4,000,000 the first year and \$4,000,000 the second year from the general fund shall be provided to the Earn to Learn Nursing Education Acceleration program. The Authority shall establish criteria for making grants from the program, including application guidelines and metrics for evaluation. Grants shall be awarded for the purpose of forming collaborative clinical training arrangements between high schools, colleges and universities, hospitals, and health providers, increasing the number of nursing students receiving necessary clinical training to achieve certification, and creating and ensuring employment opportunities for nursing students. To be eligible for grants, applicants must provide employment opportunities to students at each student's current certification level with compensation consistent with other employees at identical certification levels and must

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demonstrate that the grant application will increase on a net basis the number of nursing graduates achieving sufficient clinical hours to achieve higher nursing certifications when compared to averages over the past five years.

E. The Virginia Health Workforce Development Authority shall expand the Mary Marshall Scholarship Program to include humanitarian parolees as eligible participants. In addition, the Authority shall expand the program to provide scholarships of up to 100 percent of the fees required to obtain a Credential Service Evaluation Profession Report and the English Language Proficiency Report for those individuals who graduated from a nursing education program in a foreign country prior to admission for licensure."

Page 314, line 20, strike "G." and insert "E."

Page 314, line 20, after "Health", insert:

"and the Virginia Health Workforce Development Authority".

Page 314, line 20, strike "its" and insert "their".

Page 314, line 21, strike "health and behavioral health care scholarship and loan repayment programs", and insert:

"respective incentive programs in this appropriation".

Page 314, line 22, strike "department" and insert "Authority".

Page 314, strike lines 27 through 45.

Explanation:

(This amendment transfers the funding and administrative oversight of nursing incentive programs from the Department of Health to the Virginia Health Workforce Development Authority in accordance with the provisions of House Bill 815.)

			Item 276 #1h
Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Health	\$850,000	\$850,000	GF

Language:

Page 316, line 22, strike "\$21,555,698" and insert "\$22,405,698".

Page 316, line 22, strike "\$21,555,698" and insert "\$22,405,698".

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$850,000 each year from the general fund to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 1398, 2026 Session of the General Assembly, which establishes the Fetal and Infant Mortality Review Team in the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner to develop and implement procedures to ensure that fetal and infant deaths occurring in the Commonwealth are analyzed in a systematic way.)

Item 277 #1h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Health

\$95,197

\$95,197 GF

Language:

Page 316, line 29, strike "\$9,602,885" and insert "\$9,698,082".

Page 316, line 29, strike "\$9,602,885" and insert "\$9,698,082".

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$95,197 the first year and \$95,197 the second year from the general fund in the Virginia Department of Health (VDH) for the State Registrar to update its transmission of death data to the Department of Elections pursuant to the provisions of House Bill 972, 2026 Session of the General Assembly. This update would require changes to the transmission of a decedent's place of birth and death and the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) customer identifier number from the existing semi-monthly transmission of data to weekly, through an updated data sharing agreement and an annual data match with the Social Security Administration of deceased persons.)

Item 277 #2h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Health

Language

Language:

Page 316, line 36, strike "\$12.00" and insert "\$17.00".

Page 316, line 39, strike "birth, marriage, or divorce records" and insert:
"vital records".

Page 316, line 39, after "records", strike "in state administered".

Page 316, line 41, strike "will be split with 65" and insert:
"shall be split with 85".

Page 316, line 42, strike "35 percent to be transferred to the Division of Vital Records" and insert:

"15 percent to be transferred to the Office of Vital Records".

Explanation:

(This amendment adds language increasing the fee for vital records from \$12.00 to \$17.00 pursuant to the provisions of House Bill 450, 2026 Session of the General Assembly. It changes budget language to conform the budget to the bill. It changes the portion of the fee revenue provided to all health districts from 65 percent to 85 percent and the portion going to the Office of Vital Records from 35 percent to 15 percent and allows for the fee revenue to be provided to

all health districts, not just state administered health districts.)

Item 278 #1h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Health

Language

Language:

Page 318, after line 23, insert:

"M. The Commissioner of Health shall meet with representatives from practitioner groups, including pediatricians, family medicine doctors, pharmacists and other stakeholders to review Virginia's statutes and regulations governing childhood immunization schedules and immunizations associated with public health emergencies. The Commissioner shall make recommendations to improve Virginians' access to vaccines approved by the the FDA and other organizations that review scientific evidence. The Virginia Department of Health shall collaborate with the Department of Medical Assistance Services, the Bureau of Insurance, and the Association of Health Plans to improve the availability and affordability of vaccines with respect to insurance coverage. The Commissioner shall submit a report to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Committee, Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee, House Health and Human Services Committee, and Senate Education and Health Committee by November 1, 2026."

Explanation:

(This amendment requires the Commissioner of Health to establish a workgroup on childhood immunization schedules and immunizations associated with public health emergencies.)

Item 278 #2h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Health

\$105,115

\$0 NGF

Language:

Page 316, line 48, strike "\$132,907,252" and insert "\$133,012,367".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides the Virginia Department of Health (VDH) with \$105,115 the first year from the Commonwealth Opioid Abatement and Remediation for the development of a strategic plan for opioid response to reduce rates of drug overdose and drug overdose deaths in the Commonwealth pursuant to the provisions of House Bill 794, 2026 Session of the General

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Assembly.)

Item 278 #3h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Health

\$6,600,000

\$6,600,000

GF

Language:

Page 316, line 49, strike "\$132,907,252" and insert "\$139,507,252".

Page 316, line 49, strike "\$121,585,668" and insert "\$128,185,668".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$6.6 million each year from the general fund to backfill the anticipated loss of funding for the Ryan White Part B program for Grant Year 2026 (April 1, 2026 to March 1, 2027) and 2027 (April 1, 2027 to March 1, 2028). Funds will restore critical HIV-related medical and supportive services, and prevent disruptions in access to life-saving medications for Virginians living with HIV.)

Item 279 #1h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Health

\$250,000

\$0

GF

Language:

Page 318, line 25, strike "\$25,832,137" and insert "\$26,082,137".

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$250,000 the first year from the general fund to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 717, 2026 Session of the General Assembly, which requires an application by a nursing home to the Commissioner of Health for a change of operator license when a change of ownership or control of daily operations and management occurs. One-time funding would allow the Virginia Department of Health Office of Licensure and Certification to update an existing portal to receive applications for change of ownership licenses.)

Item 280 #1h

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Department of Health	\$350,000 2.00	\$644,000 3.00	GF FTE
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Language:

Page 319, line 28, strike "\$180,469,119" and insert "\$180,819,119".

Page 319, line 28, strike "\$180,469,119" and insert "\$181,113,119".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$350,000 the first year and \$644,000 the second year from the general fund and positions each year, to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 483, 2026 Session of the General Assembly, which establishes the Prescription Drug Affordability Board for the purpose of identifying high cost prescription drugs, reviewing pricing and cost information, conducting affordability reviews of selected prescription drug products, and if necessary, setting an upper payment limit, which shall apply to all purchases and payer reimbursements for the product dispensed in the Commonwealth. Funding assumes start up costs in the first year with full implementation in the second year.)

Item 280 #2h

Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Health	\$300,000	\$900,000	GF

Language:

Page 319, line 28, strike "\$180,469,119" and insert "\$180,769,119".

Page 319, line 28, strike "\$180,469,119" and insert "\$181,369,119".

Page 320, line 24, strike the first "\$500,000" and insert "\$800,000".

Page 320, line 24, strike the second "\$500,000" and insert "\$1,400,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$300,000 the first year and \$900,000 the second year in state matching dollars to draw down an additional \$900,000 the first year and \$2.7 million the second year in federal funding for the Maternal Infant Early Childhood Home Visiting program. This evidence-based program provides critical home-based services for expectant and new parents in at-risk communities throughout Virginia. The federal program requires a 25 percent match to access Virginia's formula-based allocation of federal funding in the 2026-28 biennium to support expansion of services in localities with the greatest need.)

Item 280 #3h

Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Health	\$530,000	\$530,000	GF

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Language:

Page 319, line 28, strike "\$180,469,119" and insert "\$180,999,119".

Page 319, line 28, strike "\$180,469,119" and insert "\$180,999,119".

Page 319, line 51, strike the first "\$450,000" and insert "\$980,000"

Page 319, line 51, strike the second "\$450,000" and insert "\$980,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$530,000 from the general fund each year to expand the community based, pediatric comprehensive sickle cell clinic network. Funding will directly support and expand the most critical aspects of sickle cell disease treatment access, coordination, and awareness, addressing acute gaps in Virginia's pediatric sickle cell disease care and education.)

Item 280 #4h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Health

\$100,000

\$100,000 GF

Language:

Page 319, line 28, strike "\$180,469,119" and insert "\$180,569,119".

Page 319, line 28, strike "\$180,469,119" and insert "\$180,569,119".

Page 320, line 4, strike the first "\$880,000" and insert "\$980,000".

Page 320, line 4, strike the second "\$880,000" and insert "\$980,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$100,000 from the general fund each year to fund the administrative cost increases of the Sickle Cell Association of Richmond to manage the paper request process for the adult comprehensive sickle cell clinic network.)

Item 280 #5h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Health

\$300,000

\$1,815,358 GF

Language:

Page 319, line 28, strike "\$180,469,119" and insert "\$180,769,119".

Page 319, line 28, strike "\$180,469,119" and insert "\$182,284,477".

Explanation:

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(This amendment adds \$300,000 the first year and \$1.8 million the second year from the general fund for the Virginia Department of Health to establish and maintain the Sick Cell Coordinated Access Network, to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 1391, 2026 Session of the General Assembly. Funding in the first year will provide support to the VDH to establish the Network and develop the framework for implementing the provisions of the legislation. Funding in the second year will enable the Network to ensure that sickle cell specialists are available for extended periods of time to provide telehealth consultations with health care providers treating individuals with sickle cell trait and sickle cell disease across the Commonwealth.)

Item 280 #6h

Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Health	\$382,230	\$372,230	GF
	1.00	1.00	FTE

Language:

Page 319, line 28, strike "\$180,469,119" and insert "\$180,851,349".

Page 319, line 28, strike "\$180,469,119" and insert "\$180,841,349".

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$328,230 the first year and \$372,230 the second year from the general fund and one position to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 1418, 2026 Session of the General Assembly, which directs the Virginia Department of Health to establish the Sick Cell Trait Awareness and Education Program to raise public awareness of and education on sickle cell trait.)

Item 280 #7h

Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Health	\$260,840	\$313,000	GF

Language:

Page 319, line 28, strike "\$180,469,119" and insert "\$180,729,959".

Page 319, line 28, strike "\$180,469,119" and insert "\$180,782,119".

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$260,840 the first year and \$313,000 the second year from the general fund to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 1403, 2026 Session of the General Assembly, which directs the Virginia Department of Health to establish the Severe Maternal Morbidity Surveillance and Review Program for the purpose of identifying, analyzing, and reviewing

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instances of severe maternal morbidity.)

Item 282 #1h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Health

\$300,000

\$300,000

GF

Language:

Page 323, line 53, strike "\$33,179,983" and insert "\$33,479,983".

Page 323, line 53, strike "\$33,179,983" and insert "\$33,479,983".

Page 329, line 1, strike the first "\$300,000" and insert "\$600,000".

Page 329, line 1, strike the second "\$300,000" and insert "\$600,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$300,000 each year from the general fund for the Adler Inpatient Hospice Center in Aldie, Virginia, which is one of five inpatient hospice centers in Virginia, bringing their total funding to \$600,000 each year. The funding will enable the center to provide critical hospice and palliative services to terminally ill Virginians, both adults and children who cannot be served in a home setting.)

Item 282 #2h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Health

\$5,000,000

\$5,000,000

GF

Language:

Page 323, line 53, strike "\$33,179,983" and insert "\$38,179,983".

Page 323, line 53, strike "\$33,179,983" and insert "\$38,179,983".

Page 325, line 44, strike the first "\$7,300,000" and insert "\$12,300,000".

Page 325, line 44, strike the second "\$7,300,000" and insert "\$12,300,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$5.0 million from the general fund each year to support operating costs of free clinics that are members of the Virginia Association of Free and Charitable Clinics. Funding will be used to meet increasing high demand for medical, dental, vision, speech, hearing and behavioral health care services, as well as prescription medication and substance use disorder services to uninsured and underinsured patients.)

Item 282 #3h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Health

\$50,000

\$50,000 GF

Language:

Page 323, line 53, strike "\$33,179,983" and insert "\$33,229,983".

Page 323, line 53, strike "\$33,179,983" and insert "\$33,229,983".

Page 326, line 24, strike the first "\$5,180,571" and insert "\$5,230,571".

Page 326, line 24, strike the second "\$5,180,571" and insert "\$5,230,571".

Page 326, line 51, strike "\$205,000" and insert "\$255,000".

Page 326, line 52, strike "\$205,000" and insert "\$255,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$50,000 from the general fund each year for the Virginia Health Care Foundation to contract with the Rx Partnership to improve access to medications for low-income Virginians. Funding will help efforts to minimize the loss of access to key brand medications and cover the increasing cost of generic medications.)

Item 283 #1h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Health

Language

Language:

Page 329, after line 41, insert:

"G. The Virginia Department of Health is authorized to expend funding carried forward from Chapter 725, 2025 Acts of Assembly, for grant awards made to localities in fiscal year 2026 to upgrade or replace existing drinking water infrastructure in Greene County, Fauquier County and the Town of Bowling Green. Any unexpended balances in this paragraph at the close of business on June 30, 2027 and June 30, 2028 shall not revert to the general fund but shall be carried forward and reappropriated for this purpose."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides ongoing authority for the Virginia Department of Health to expend \$25 million from the general fund that was appropriated in fiscal year 2026 and carried forward into fiscal year 2027 for three local drinking water infrastructure projects approved by the department in fiscal year 2026. Language provides authority to carry forward funding to fiscal year 2029. Drinking water infrastructure projects are often multi-year projects to complete the design, contract awards and construction.)

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Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Health	\$14,937,705	\$16,908,844	GF
	\$578,702	\$578,702	NGF
	14.00	14.00	FTE

Language:

Page 330, line 17, strike "\$47,665,967" and insert "\$63,182,374".

Page 330, line 17, strike "\$46,232,620" and insert "\$63,720,166".

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$14.9 million the first year and \$16.9 million the second year from the general fund and \$578,702 each year from nongeneral funds and 14 positions to provide core public health services administered by the Virginia Department of Health. Funding shall be used for disease surveillance, tracking, and monitoring systems; community health services support; epidemiology and informatics; ongoing maintenance and operational support for core health technology systems; environmental health services; medical facility complaint investigations; and modernizing legacy data infrastructure to the cloud to meet state and federal regulatory requirements. Funding will support 8 additional staff for community health services and six additional medical facility complaint investigators.)

Item 286 #2h

Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Health	\$75,000	\$75,000	GF

Language:

Page 330, line 17, strike "\$47,665,967" and insert "\$47,740,967".

Page 330, line 17, strike "\$46,232,620" and insert "\$46,307,620".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$75,000 from the general fund each year as the state match for \$225,000 from the Outdoor Advertising Association of Virginia (OAAV) for the purpose of initiating a billboard campaign to promote childhood immunizations and other critical health issues. The funds provided by the OAAV represent a 3 for 1 discount for different types of advertising: traditional billboards, poster signage, and digital billboards. Run times can vary depending on options selected by the Virginia Department of Health.)

Item 288 #1h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Health Professions

(\$153,850)

(\$176,620) NGF

Language:

Page 332, line 8, strike "\$53,010,551" and insert "\$52,856,701".

Page 332, line 8, strike "\$53,033,321" and insert "\$52,856,701".

Page 332, strike lines 48 through 51.

Page 333, strike lines 1 through 10.

Explanation:

(This amendment removes \$153,850 from the nongeneral fund the first year and \$176,620 from the nongeneral fund the second year and establishing language for the "Virginia Center for the Nursing Workforce" within the Department of Health Professions. The Virginia Nursing Workforce Center was created by the Virginia Health Workforce Development Authority in 2025 and serves this purpose.)

Item 288 #2h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Health Professions

Language

Language:

Page 333, after line 9, insert:

"E. The Board of Pharmacy shall increase its membership by adding one registered pharmacy technician, effective July 1, 2026."

Explanation:

(This amendment is self-explanatory.)

Item 288 #3h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Health Professions

\$254,900

\$254,900 NGF

Language:

Page 332, line 8, strike "\$53,010,551" and insert "\$53,265,451".

Page 332, line 8, strike "\$53,033,321" and insert "\$53,288,221".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$254,900 in fiscal year 2027 and \$254,900 in fiscal year 2028 from nongeneral funds, pursuant to the passage of House Bill 970 and House Bill 1147, 2026 Session of the General Assembly. House Bill 970 provides that any dental assistant or dental assistant II with a minimum amount of clinical experience may obtain certification to provide additional treatment provided they meet certain educational and certification requirements. House Bill 970 directs the Boards of Medicine and Nursing to require all practitioners licensed by the Boards to complete continuing education related to bias reduction in health care as a condition for license renewal.)

Item 290 #1h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Medical Assistance
Services

\$13,209,963
\$21,432,904

\$16,276,704 GF
\$26,161,845 NGF

Language:

Page 333, line 36, strike "\$469,647,232" and insert "\$504,290,099".

Page 333, line 36, strike "\$493,185,700" and insert "\$535,624,249".

Page 334, strike lines 36 through 44.

Page 334, line 45, strike "I." and insert "H."

Explanation:

(This amendment restores funding each year for coverage of prenatal and post partum services for individuals otherwise ineligible due to undocumented immigration status, as allowed at state option under Title XXI of the Social Security Act. The amendment also strikes language in the introduced budget which eliminates this coverage.)

Item 291 #1h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Medical Assistance Services

Language

Language:

Page 370, after line 8, insert:

"QQQQQ. The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall update its reimbursement methodology for rehabilitation hospitals to provide more equitable reimbursement rates for each rehabilitation hospital relative to its total cost of services provided to Medicaid recipients."

Explanation:

(This amendment adds language directing the Department of Medical Assistance Services to update Medicaid reimbursement methodologies for rehabilitation hospitals to provide more equity in reimbursement rates for those that serve more Medicaid recipients at a higher acuity level. It will improve access to care for those Medicaid recipients with the most severe rehabilitation needs.)

Item 291 #2h

Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Medical Assistance Services	\$326,891	\$375,134	GF
	\$554,736	\$634,729	NGF

Language:

Page 334, line 48, strike "\$28,934,352,589" and insert "\$28,935,234,216".

Page 334, line 48, strike "\$30,476,743,886" and insert "\$30,477,753,749".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$326,896 the first year and \$375,134 the second year from the general fund and \$554,736 the first year and \$634,729 the second year from nongeneral funds to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 425, 2026 Session of the General Assembly, which expands provisions for Medicaid payment for remote patient monitoring services via telemedicine for pregnant persons age 35 and older. It also includes postpartum care for eligible pregnant persons. Under current law, only high-risk pregnancies are covered.)

Item 291 #3h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Medical Assistance Services	Language
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Language:

Page 370, after line 8, insert:

"QQQQQ.1. Notwithstanding regulations established at 12VAC30-90-44, the Department of Medical Assistance Services shall submit any required state plan or waiver amendments to defer the next scheduled nursing facility price rebasing, which would have changed rates as of July 1, 2027, with the normal rebasing cycle resuming for rates effective July 1, 2030. Beginning upon enactment of this act through the period of the deferral, the department shall work with stakeholders, to include the Virginia Health Care Association and any others as deemed relevant

by the department, to identify and examine methodological concerns with the current nursing facility reimbursement system and to the extent necessary, propose modifications to address any concerns identified for which solutions can be found. Additionally, the group shall review and recommend quality improvement initiatives to be incentivized within the payment rate as appropriate. This process is not intended to increase nursing facility reimbursement in the aggregate, but rather to correct methodological concerns within aggregate reimbursement levels already established as adjusted annually for utilization and inflation while also promoting improved quality. Nothing herein shall preclude separate budget action affecting aggregate reimbursement levels.

2. The department shall report annually each December 1, beginning with 2026 through the deferral period on the identified methodological issues and progress toward solutions. This report shall include an assessment from the department and stakeholders, including dissenting opinions of any stakeholder group, if necessary, on the practicality of any proposed solutions and feasibility and potential timeline for implementing such solutions. The annual report is intended to inform Governor and General Assembly of the need to continue the deferral or when implementation of the rebasing could take place as defined in regulations albeit with any approved modifications in place. This report shall be provided to the Governor, Senate Finance and Appropriations and Education and Health Committees, and the House Appropriations and Health and Human Services Committees.

3. This item does not authorize any changes to the reimbursement system as currently defined; subsequent authority must be granted to implement any specific recommended modifications. To the extent the rebasing is determined to be feasible by the Governor and General Assembly, and modifications developed under this item are adopted, the rebasing would be scheduled for the state fiscal year beginning no less than 12 months subsequent to the adoption of the relevant reforms in order to allow time for the Department to implement the rebasing."

Explanation:

(This amendment adds language requiring the Department of Medical Assistance Services to defer schedule nursing facility rebasing and examine the methodology used to rebase Medicaid rates for nursing facilities. Language requires the agency to work with stakeholders to identify and address methodological concerns and to propose modifications which address those concerns. It also requires that the agency and stakeholders review and recommend quality improvement initiatives to be incentivized within the payment rate as appropriate. Language requires the agency to report annually beginning December 1, 2026 through the deferral period to the Governor, the Senate Finance and Appropriations and Education and Health Committees, and the House Appropriations and Health and Human Services Committees. No authority is provided to make changes to the reimbursement system, but requires the next rebasing of nursing facility rates to be resumed for rates effective July 1, 2030.)

Health and Human Resources

Department of Medical Assistance Services

Language

Language:

Page 368, line 30, after "authority for a" strike "demonstration".

Page 368, line 31, after "disorders", strike "by".

Page 368, line 32, strike "January 1, 2026".

Explanation:

(This amendment strikes language requiring the Department of Medical Assistance Services to seek the appropriate waiver authority for a demonstration project to add neurobehavioral and neurorehabilitation facilities to support 20 individuals with traumatic brain injuries and neurocognitive disorders by January 1, 2026. The department has been in negotiations with the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid and will now have to modify the type of waiver it seeks to provide Medicaid coverage for these services. Language strikes the type of waiver, providing more flexibility to the department as it continues discussions with CMS on the waiver and eliminates the date of January 1, 2026 by which the department was required to seek the demonstration waiver.)

Item 291 #5h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Medical Assistance Services

Language

Language:

Page 355, after line 19, insert:

"7.a. The Virginia Health Workforce Development Authority shall require all sponsoring institution hospitals receiving state supplemental Graduate Medical Education funding to participate in an annual data collection and reporting process designed to evaluate the effectiveness, geographic distribution, and workforce outcomes of state-supported residency and fellowship training. Institutions that fail to submit required data in a timely manner may be deemed ineligible for funding in future years.

b. Required reporting shall include, at a minimum, the number and name of residents supported with state funds, by specialty and training year, including the medical school each resident attended and their primary state of residence prior to medical school, the number of first year positions created or sustained with state support, identification of rural and underserved training locations and annual duration of training at such sites, program accreditation status, and total approved compared to filled positions by post-graduate year. The report shall also include the amount of Medicare Direct Graduate Medical Education (DGME) and Indirect Medical Education (IME) funding submitted for the most recently completed Medicare cost reporting year, including an attestation that state funding does not supplant existing Medicare funding

under the institution's approved DGME cap. The report shall further include the institution's Per Resident Amount (PRA), if established; the number of resident full-time equivalents (FTEs) claimed for DGME; the number of resident positions exceeding the institution's DGME cap for programs beyond the five-year cap-building period; and an annual budget reconciliation for supplemental funding. Additional data may be requested as deemed necessary by the Authority to assess workforce alignment of state health needs and facilitate physician workforce forecasting.

c. The Authority shall compile the submitted information into a biennial statewide Graduate Medical Education Impact Report and shall use the reported data to inform funding recommendations, program eligibility and future appropriations. The Impact Report shall be submitted to the Governor and Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees.

8. The Department of Medical Assistance Service shall provide the Virginia Health Workforce Development Authority with quarterly reports detailing the occurrences of supplemental federal and state Medicaid payments made for Graduate Medical Education. Such reports shall include completed and pending aggregate payment amounts by sponsoring institutions and residency programs, as necessary to support statewide supplemental Graduate Medical Education oversight and reporting.

9. Any unexpended balance in this item at the close of business on June 30 each year shall not revert to the general fund but shall be carried forward and reappropriated."

Explanation:

(This amendment establishes an annual data reporting process to evaluate the state-supported residency and fellowship training programs outlined in the budget. The Virginia Health Workforce Development Authority will require the information to be submitted for participation in the award program and may deem institutions that fail to submit the information to be ineligible for future funding. This amendment also requires DMAS to provide quarterly payment reports. The Authority will report findings in its biennial report. The amendment includes carry forward language to reappropriate any unspent funding to be allocated for a future cohort.)

Item 291 #6h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Medical Assistance Services

Language

Language:

Page 370, after line 8, insert:

"QQQQQ. The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall amend existing contracts with Medicaid managed care organizations (MCOs) to require the MCOs to adopt performance

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metrics for Medicaid Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) brokers consistent with performance metrics implemented for the Fee-for-Service NEMT program and require such MCOs to report annually to the Department regarding the performance of the NEMT brokers on such metrics."

Explanation:

(This amendment adds language requiring Medicaid MCOs to adopt performance metrics for Medicaid NEMT brokers consistent with those in the Medicaid Fee-for-Service program. Currently, metrics collected by MCOs and reported to DMAS regarding their NEMT programs lack specificity and limit insight into the quality or performance gaps among NEMT programs operating in the Commonwealth. Additional, comprehensive metrics, such as those required for the Fee-For-Service NEMT program, could improve DMAS's understanding of the performance of NEMT programs and identify areas in which performance could be improved to meet Medicaid members' need for transportation to health care services.)

Item 291 #7h

Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Medical Assistance Services	\$326,700	\$326,700	NGF

Language:

Page 334, line 48, strike "\$28,934,352,589" and insert "\$28,934,679,289".

Page 334, line 48, strike "\$30,476,743,886" and insert "\$30,477,070,586".

Page 370, after line 8, insert:

"QQQQQ. The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall modify the existing interagency agreement with the Department of Health to match the non-federal share of funding for the Virginia Center for Health Innovation Virginia Task Force on Primary Care to that provided through appropriations in the Virginia Department of Health."

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$326,700 each year in nongeneral funds as the federal match for the general fund appropriation provided to the Virginia Task Force on Primary Care funded through the Virginia Department of Health.)

Item 291 #8h

Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Medical Assistance Services	\$4,361,275	\$5,200,887	GF
	\$4,563,297	\$5,427,466	NGF

Language:

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Page 334, line 48, strike "\$28,934,352,589" and insert "\$28,943,277,161".

Page 334, line 48, strike "\$30,476,743,886" and insert "\$30,487,372,239".

Page 357, line 49, after "disorder" insert:

"or for a child age 5 or younger who has not yet received a final diagnosis, a provisional diagnosis may be accepted".

Explanation:

(This amendment restores funding and modifies language in the introduced budget to allow for a provisional diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder for children age 5 or younger in order to receive Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) services. The introduced budget included language requiring a diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder in order to receive ABA services. A final diagnosis of autism spectrum in young children is often difficult. However, services are critical in assisting with communication, social interaction, daily routines, and managing challenging behaviors at a time when foundational skills are forming and the brain is developing rapidly. These services can have a major impact on later development.)

Item 291 #9h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Medical Assistance Services

Language

Language:

Page 365, line 11, strike "no longer" and insert "only".

Page 365, line 12, after "weight loss", strike "except".

Page 365, line 13, after "greater than", insert "or equal to".

Page 365, line 14, after "greater than", insert "or equal to".

Page 365, line 15, after "greater than", insert "or equal to".

Page 365, line 15, after "pre-diabetes" strike "or" and insert ",".

Page 365, line 16, after "disease" insert ", or obstructive sleep apnea".

Page 365, line 17, strike ", excluding Glucagon-like peptide-1 drugs and".

Page 365, line 18, strike "any other newer weight loss medications".

Page 365, line 26, after "changes, as needed, to", insert:

"and/or managed care contract changes, as needed, to pursue and".

Page 365, line 26, after "use of", insert "(i)".

Page 365, line 27, "after medications," insert:

"or (ii) any rebate or value-based purchasing agreement negotiated directly between the federal government and a manufacturer of GSP-1 receptor agonist medications".

Page 365, line 28, after "price", insert:

"to the Commonwealth".

Page 365. strike lines 30 through 32, and insert:

"4. DMAS shall not list on the Common Core Formulary, any drug in the Common Core

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Formulary class which contains GLP-1 receptor agonist medications, for any indication described in paragraph MMMM 2, if the net price for a one-month supply exceeds \$245 through the best agreement available to the state."

Explanation:

(This amendment modifies language in the introduced budget regarding the coverage of weight loss medications in the Medicaid program. The amendment requires the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) to amend the state plan for medical assistance and regulations to cover weight loss drugs in certain circumstances. It clarifies coverage for individuals with a body mass index greater than or equal to the percentages listed among the criteria and adds criteria for coverage when an individual has a BMI greater than or equal to 27 and has obstructive sleep apnea. It removes unnecessary language excluding GLP-1 medications and newer weight loss drugs, from criteria allowing coverage for traditional weight loss drugs. It provides DMAS with authority to make managed care contract changes and pursue any rebate or value-based purchasing agreement negotiated between the federal government and a manufacturer of GLP-1 receptor agonist medications if the net price to the Commonwealth is lower than that obtained under an existing rebate agreement. Finally, it clarifies that DMAS is prohibited from listing a GLP-1 medication on the Common Core Formulary for weight loss if the net price for a one-month supply exceeds \$245.)

Item 291 #10h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Medical Assistance
Services

\$11,000,000
\$48,235,326

\$13,000,000 GF
\$56,892,473 NGF

Language:

Page 334, line 48, strike "\$28,934,352,589" and insert "\$28,993,587,915".

Page 334, line 48, strike "\$30,476,743,886" and insert "\$30,546,636,359".

Page 369, strike lines 24 through 30 and insert:

"LLLLL. The Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) shall limit the hours and/or timeframes per recipient on community stabilization service, to ensure expenditures for this service do not exceed available appropriation effective July 1, 2026. Community stabilization service will remain as an option until June 30, 2028 or until all individuals receiving those services are evaluated for new behavioral health services and are referred to an appropriate, available service. Authorizations may not be approved for a community stabilization service and a corresponding "new service" for the same individual at the same time. DMAS shall have the authority to amend any necessary waiver(s) and/or state plan amendments under Titles XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act. The department shall promulgate emergency regulations to implement this change within 280 days or less from the enactment of this act. The department shall implement this change upon federal approval and prior to the completion of any regulatory process undertaken in order to effect such change."

Explanation:

(This amendment partially restores funding and modifies language in the introduced budget to continue funding Medicaid behavioral health community stabilization services, while new behavioral health services are brought online by the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS). Language provides authority for DMAS to apply appropriate limits to the service to ensure expenditures do not exceed the available appropriation, effective July 1, 2026. Language delays the full elimination of these services until June 30, 2028 to allow for the implementation of redesigned Medicaid behavioral health services which are scheduled to begin implementation on or after January 1, 2027.)

Item 291 #11h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Medical Assistance Services

Language

Language:

Page 358, line 45, after, "change." insert:

"It is the intent of the General Assembly when enacting this item, the department shall continue payment of the 15 percent reimbursement rate add on pursuant to Chapter 780, 2016 Acts of Assembly, Item 306, paragraph CCC 7 and the 10.4% reimbursement rate add on, pursuant to Chapter 56, 2020 Special Session I Acts of Assembly, Item 313, paragraph KKKK."

Explanation:

(This amendment clarifies the intent of the General Assembly that the Department of Medical Assistance Services recognize prior year increases effective fiscal year 2017 and fiscal year 2021 to the reimbursement rate of a nursing facility operating with at least 80 percent of the resident population having one or more of the following diagnoses: quadriplegia, traumatic brain injury, multiple sclerosis, paraplegia, or cerebral palsy; and with at least 90 percent Medicaid utilization and a case mix index of 1.15 or higher in fiscal year 2014. Only one nursing facility, the Virginia Home, met the criteria set forth in prior Appropriations Acts when the increases were approved and provided. Funding for this nursing facility incorporating these past increases is contained in the introduced budget.)

Item 291 #12h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Medical Assistance Services

Language

Language:

Page 368, strike lines 38 through 56 and insert:

"HHHHH.1. The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall reimburse at the applicable Indian Health Services (IHS) outpatient all-inclusive rate (AIR) published annually in the Federal Register for all services authorized to be reimbursed at that rate under the Medicaid State Plan and furnished by (i) a facility operated by IHS, or (ii) a facility operated by a federally recognized Tribe or Tribal organization under a contract or compact authorized by Title I or Title V of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act ("Tribal 638 facility") provided that such payment shall not result in additional net impact to the state general fund, beyond what is appropriated, for services ineligible for reimbursement at the federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP) of 100 percent. For any services provided by IHS or a Tribal 638 facility that are not eligible for reimbursement at 100 percent FMAP, DMAS shall reimburse at standard Medicaid rates (the rates otherwise paid to non-tribal facilities for the same services) and not at the AIR.

2. If the above rate structure is not approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), DMAS shall reimburse at the AIR, provided that the Department and a Tribe or Tribal organization operating a Tribal 638 facility enter into an agreement under which the Tribe or Tribal organization's expenditures or reimbursement comprise the Commonwealth's share of the FMAP. Such agreement may be (1) an arrangement for certified public expenditures of the Tribe or Tribal organization to comprise the non-federal share, or (2) an arrangement for an intergovernmental transfer from the Tribe or Tribal organization to DMAS to comprise the non-federal share, as permitted under 42 C.F.R. § 433.51. Such payment arrangement shall not result in additional net impact to the state general fund, beyond what is appropriated, for services ineligible for reimbursement at 100 percent FMAP. Such payment arrangement shall be subject to CMS approval. Should DMAS and a Tribe or Tribal organization operating a Tribal 638 facility not enter into such an agreement, or should such payment arrangement not be permitted by CMS or not be eligible for federal financial participation, DMAS shall seek federal authority to reimburse the Tribal 638 facility at the standard Medicaid rates for corresponding non-tribal provider types. DMAS is authorized to make any necessary managed care contract changes and seek all necessary federal authority through state plan or waiver amendments submitted to CMS under Titles XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act to implement the provisions of this item. The Department shall implement this reimbursement change consistent with the effective date of the appropriate federal authority, and prior to the completion of any regulatory process."

Explanation:

(This amendment modifies authority for Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) to reimburse a facility operated by the Indian Health Services or a facility operated by a federally recognized Tribe or Tribal organization for Medicaid outpatient services. It requires DMAS to reimburse any outpatient services that are not eligible for 100 percent federal reimbursement, at the rates paid to non-tribal facilities for the same services. This is similar to language contained in Chapter 725, which restricts Medicaid reimbursement for outpatient services at the all-inclusive rate to those services eligible for 100 percent federal reimbursement and requires all others to be reimbursed at standard Medicaid rates. It adds language to require DMAS to reimburse at the all-inclusive rate if there is an agreement by the Tribe or Tribal

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organization to provide the non-federal share for services that are not eligible for reimbursement at the 100 percent federal match rate, in the event the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid does not approve the reimbursement methodology described in HHHHH.1. If not approved by CMS, language requires DMAS to seek federal approval to reimburse the Tribal 638 facility at the standard Medicaid rate for corresponding non-tribal members.)

Item 291 #13h

Health and Human Resources

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Department of Medical Assistance
Services

\$3,496,496
\$3,940,205

\$3,490,689 GF
\$3,871,012 NGF

Language:

Page 334, line 48, strike "\$28,934,352,589" and insert "\$28,941,789,290".

Page 334, line 48, strike "\$30,476,743,886" and insert "\$30,484,105,587".

Page 370, after line 8, insert:

"QQQQQ.1. Effective July 1, 2026, the Department of Medical Assistance Services shall seek any necessary waivers and/or State Plan for Medical Assistance amendments under Titles XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act to provide coverage for sickle cell treatments for Medicaid enrollees through the Cell and Gene Therapy Access Model in partnership with the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid. The department shall have the authority to implement these changes upon federal approval and prior to completion of any regulatory process undertaken in order to effect such change.

2. The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall have the authority to separate the cost of a sickle cell disease drug from the cost to administer the drug for the purposes of participating in the Cell and Gene Therapy Access Model."

Explanation:

(This amendment adds funding and language to provide Medicaid, Medicaid Children's Health Insurance Program (M-CHIP) and Family Access to Medical Insurance Security (FAMIS) coverage for sickle cell treatments through a specific model of care in partnership with the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS). In 2025, CMS announced that 33 states, along with the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, will be participating in the Cell and Gene Therapy (CGT) Access Model, including Virginia. The initial focus of the model is on access to gene therapy treatments for people living with sickle cell disease, a genetic blood disorder. The Cell and Gene Therapy (CGT) Access Model aims to improve the lives of people living with rare and severe diseases by increasing access to potentially transformative treatments. It is a multi-year, voluntary model for states and manufacturers to test whether a CMS-led approach to developing and administering outcomes-based agreements (OBAs) for cell and gene therapies increases access to innovative treatment, improves health outcomes, and reduces health care costs and burden to state Medicaid programs. Language also provides the agency with authority

to unbundle the cost of the drugs from the cost of administer the drugs.)

Item 291 #14h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Medical Assistance Services

Language

Language:

Page 356, line 27, after "projections.", strike:

"No new Medicaid behavioral health services or rates shall be implemented until".

Page 356, strike lines 28 and 29 and insert:

"The new Medicaid behavioral health services and rates may be authorized when all required elements are in place after January 1, 2027. Legacy services will remain as an option until July 1, 2027 or until all individuals receiving those services are evaluated for new services and are referred to an appropriate, available service. Authorizations may not be approved for a legacy services and a corresponding "new service" for the same individual at the same time. The".

Page 356, line 34, after "process.", insert:

"The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall report to the Joint Subcommittee for Health and Human Resources Oversight and the Behavioral Health Commission on the status of the regulations, guidance documents, provider manuals, assessment tools, training materials and related materials including a timeline for completion of the above no later than November 1, 2026."

Explanation:

(This amendment modifies language in the introduced budget which delays the implementation of redesigned Medicaid behavioral health services until January 1, 2027. Language requires that legacy behavioral health services will remain as an option until July 1, 2027 or until all individuals receiving those services are evaluated for new services and are referred to an appropriate, available service. Language also prohibits the approval of legacy services and a corresponding new service for the same individual at the same time. Language requires a status report to the Joint Subcommittee for Health and Human Resources Oversight and the Behavioral Health Commission by November 1, 2026.)

Item 291 #15h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Medical Assistance
Services

(\$13,698,140)
(\$28,004,172)

(\$16,644,387) GF
(\$33,546,378) NGF

Language:

Page 334, line 48, strike "\$28,934,352,589" and insert "\$28,892,650,277".

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Page 334, line 48, strike "\$30,476,743,886" and insert "\$30,426,553,121".

Page 370, after line 8, insert:

"QQQQQ. In developing capitation rates for the Cardinal Care Managed Care program, the department shall limit the assumed underwriting gain (margin for risk and cost of capital) to one percent of Medicaid adjusted premium revenue on average across all covered populations and rating cells. The department shall ensure that capitation rates are developed in a manner that is actuarially sound while reflecting this one percent underwriting gain assumption. The department shall not incorporate an assumed underwriting gain in excess of one percent in the actuarial rate certification for any contract period unless otherwise expressly authorized by the General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment lowers the assumed underwriting gain from 1.25 percent to 1.0 percent of Medicaid adjusted premium revenue in the development of capitations rates for the Medicaid Cardinal Care Managed Care program. Changes to the profit caps for the program beginning in fiscal year 2026, increased costs to the Medicaid program due to an increase the underwriting gain from 1.0 to 1.25 percent, contrary to provisions in the Appropriations Act (Ch. 725, 2025 Session of the General Assembly). This amendment would reverse that action and maintain the profit caps in place prior to this change.)

Item 291 #16h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Medical Assistance
Services

\$500,000
\$500,000

\$0 GF
\$0 NGF

Language:

Page 334, line 48, strike "\$28,934,352,589" and insert "\$28,935,352,589".

Page 370, after line 8, insert:

"QQQQQ. Out of this appropriation, \$500,000 from the general fund and \$500,000 from nongeneral funds the first year is provided to the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) to expand Medicaid/FAMIS outreach and enrollment services provided under its contract with the Virginia Health Care Foundation (VHCF). These amounts are in addition to the current outreach and enrollment funding allocated to VHCF by DMAS and shall be used to grow VHCF's outreach and enrollment capacity and reach. Effective July 1, 2026, DMAS shall continue to contract with VHCF to provide Medicaid/FAMIS outreach and enrollment services on an ongoing basis. Where allowable, DMAS shall fund the program with Children's Health Insurance Program Administrative funds and access the applicable federal match. Any unexpended balances for the purposes specified in this paragraph which are unexpended on June 30, 2027, shall not revert to the general fund but shall be carried forward and reappropriated in

fiscal year 2028."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding and language to expand the Virginia Health Care Foundation's (VHCF) Project Connect, which conducts outreach and enrollment services for the Medicaid programs. This expansion will ensure eligible Virginians can navigate the new federal Medicaid requirements, pursuant to H.R.1, Public Law No. 119-21, H.R. 1, 119th Cong. (2025-2026). This will fund up to six additional outreach workers, along with additional training resources. VHCF has contracted with DMAS for more than 25 years, helping to navigate every major change in the Virginia Medicaid program, enrolling more than 165,000 Virginians and training more than 20,000 community, health care, and social services staff. Language provides the authority to carry over any unexpended funds provided for this purpose in fiscal year 2027 to fiscal year 2028.)

Item 291 #17h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Medical Assistance
Services

\$892,690
\$975,342

(\$10,632,354) GF
(\$38,407,756) NGF

Language:

Page 334, line 48, strike "\$28,934,352,589" and insert "\$28,936,220,621".

Page 334, line 48, strike "\$30,476,743,886" and insert "\$30,427,703,776".

Page 370, after line 8, insert:

"QQQQQ. The Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) shall amend the State Plan for Medical Assistance and any necessary waivers under Titles XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act to carve out pharmacy claims covered pursuant to Section 340B of the Public Health Services Act received from institutional providers who participate in the Medicaid and children's health insurance programs."

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$892,690 from the general fund and \$975,342 from nongeneral funds the first year and reduces \$10.6 million from general fund and \$38.4 million from nongeneral funds the second year requiring the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) to carve out pharmacy 340B covered claims from from the Medicaid program. Currently, DMAS allows institutional providers, such as hospitals, to file pharmacy claims for DMAS administered medical assistance programs for which they receive a more favorable 340B pricing, allowing them to achieve savings for drugs they purchase and administer. However, DMAS is not allowed to claim manufacturer rebates for these prescription drugs. By excluding 340B covered claims from DMAS programs, DMAS will be able to claim manufacturer drug rebates on prescription drugs administered by such entities or filled by their pharmacies, thus lowering the

price of medications for Medicaid and the children's health insurance programs. This will ensure that institutional providers can target 340B discounted prices for uninsured and underinsured patients who are not eligible for Medicaid and the children's health insurance programs.)

Item 291 #18h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Medical Assistance Services

Language

Language:

Page 352, line 20, strike "2024" and insert "2026".

Page 352, line 22, strike "\$16,000,000" and insert:

"the DSH formula effective in fiscal year 2026".

Page 352, line 22, after "annually", strike the remainder of the line.

Page 352, line 23, strike:

"prior to Medicaid expansion without regard to the uncompensated care cost limit."

Page 352, line 25, strike:

"If the federal regulation is voided, DMAS shall continue DSH payments".

Page 352, line 26, strike:

"to the impacted hospitals and adjust the additional hospital supplemental payments authorized".

Page 352, line 27, strike:

"in this paragraph accordingly."

Explanation:

(This amendment modifies the formula for providing additional Medicaid supplemental payment funding to the Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters (CHKD) to stabilize funding and prevent future dramatic financial fluctuations. This supplemental payment is in lieu of Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) payments for which CHKD is no longer eligible after 2017 federal changes to the DSH limit. Payments remain tied to the State Plan formula for CHKD's DSH, calculated as eligible days multiplied by three times the DSH per diem for most hospitals (Type Two hospitals) not including the state's teaching hospitals (Type One hospitals). This language change would establish a funding floor at the fiscal year 2026 level of state support, with no impact on impact on state general fund dollars.)

Item 291 #19h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Medical Assistance Services

Language

Language:

Page 351, after line 5, insert:

"11.a. The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall amend the State Plan for Medical Assistance to make supplemental indirect medical education payments for managed care services for private teaching hospitals that have executed affiliation agreements with public entities that are capable of transferring funds to the Department for purposes of covering the non-federal share of the authorized payments. Such public entities would enter into an Interagency Agreement with the department for this purpose. Public entities are authorized to use general fund dollars to accomplish this transfer. The funds to be transferred must comply with 42 CFR 433.51 and 433.54. As part of the Interagency Agreements the department shall require the public entities to attest to compliance with applicable CMS criteria. The department shall also require any private hospital and related health systems receiving payments under this Item to attest to compliance with applicable CMS criteria. The department shall have the authority to implement these changes prior to completion of any regulatory process undertaken in order to effect such change.

b. The supplemental indirect medical education payments for managed care services shall be based on the Medicare formula using total residents reported to the Department annually by the hospital prior to the beginning of the fiscal year for the resident to bed ratio applied to managed care hospital payments reported to the Department through the encounter system adjusted to cost minus IME payments for managed care services currently authorized. The Department shall calculate these supplemental indirect medical education payments prior to the beginning of the fiscal year based on the most recently available data and these payments shall be final."

Page 351, line 6, strike "11" and insert "12".

Page 351, line 21, strike "12" and insert "13".

Page 351, line 33, strike "13" and insert "14".

Explanation:

(This amendment adds language to allow private hospitals with smaller teaching training operations, to qualify for increased indirect medical education (IME) funding. Qualifying hospitals will have public partners capable of providing the non-federal share of the enhanced funding.)

Item 291 #20h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Medical Assistance Services

Language

Language:

Page 351, after line 5, insert:

"11. The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall have the authority to amend the State Plan for Medical Assistance to make supplemental payments through an adjustment to the

formula for indirect medical education (IME) reimbursement, using managed care discharge days, for an acute care hospital chain with a level two trauma center in the Peninsula EMS region in 2023, upon the execution of affiliation agreements with public entities that are capable of transferring funds to the department for purposes of covering the non-federal share of the authorized payments. The level of these additional IME supplemental payments may be up to the amounts supported by the formula applicable to Type One hospitals. Such public entities would enter into an Interagency Agreement with the department for this purpose. Public entities are authorized to use general fund dollars to accomplish this transfer. The funds to be transferred must comply with 42 CFR 433.51 and 433.54. As part of the Interagency Agreements the department shall require the public entities to attest to compliance with applicable CMS criteria. The department shall also require any private hospital and related health systems receiving payments under this Item to attest to compliance with applicable CMS criteria. The department shall have the authority to implement these changes prior to completion of any regulatory process undertaken in order to effect such change."

Page 351, line 6, strike "11" and insert "12".

Page 351, line 21, strike "12" and insert "13".

Page 351, line 33, strike "13" and insert "14".

Explanation:

(This amendment adds language to allow Riverside Hospital system to qualify for increased indirect medical education (IME) funding using the same formula applied to the two state teaching hospitals (Type One hospitals), in order to support medical education provided through the hospital system. Public partner(s) would provide the non-federal share of the enhanced funding.)

		Item 295 #1h	
Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Medical Assistance	\$2,174,667	(\$3,439,181)	GF
Services	\$7,521,333	\$1,873,662	NGF
	8.00	8.00	FTE

Language:

Page 371, line 1, strike "\$452,717,516" and insert "\$462,413,516".

Page 371, line 1, strike "\$444,766,550" and insert "\$443,201,031".

Page 379, after line 22, insert:

"RR. Notwithstanding § 32.1-325.5 of the Code of Virginia, the Department of Medical Assistance Services shall issue a request for proposals (RFP) for a single third-party administrator to serve as the state pharmacy benefits manager (PBM) to administer all pharmacy benefits for Medicaid recipients, including those enrolled in a managed care

organization with whom the Department contracts for the delivery of Medicaid services by January 1, 2027. The RFP for the Medicaid single Pharmacy Benefits Manager shall require that a qualified bidder is one that shares no ownership with any Medicaid managed care organization (excluding a prepaid Ambulatory Health Plan) or any licensed pharmacy. Furthermore, a qualified bidder must maintain no direct or indirect financial arrangements with drug manufacturers or labelers that create incentives for formulary decisions, drug substitution, or utilization management, including rebates, discounts, chargebacks, claw backs, or data sales. The department shall review and incorporate provisions of PBM legislation considered during the 2026 Session of the General Assembly in developing the RFP, as appropriate, including provisions that ensure network adequacy for Medicaid patients and address transparency. The department shall award a contract to the single third party administrator by July 1, 2027."

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$2.2 million from the general fund and \$7.5 million from federal matching funds the first year and 8 positions. It reduces \$3.4 million from the general fund and adds \$1.9 million from federal matching funds in the second year to reflect the initial costs and savings of implementing a single Medicaid Pharmacy Benefit Manager (PBM), pursuant to Chapter 701, 2025 Acts of Assembly. The Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) was to have selected and contracted with a single Medicaid PBM by July 1, 2026, but the implementation was delayed due to the unknown costs and savings that would occur with its implementation and the absence of an appropriation to develop and award a contract for a third party administrator to serve as the PBM. Funding reflects an analysis from an independent study of the implementation of a single pharmacy benefits manager required by the 2025 legislation. This amendment adds language with requirements for the request for proposal, including a requirement that DMAS review and incorporate provisions of PBM legislation that were considered during the 2026 Session, as appropriate, particularly provisions ensuring network adequacy for Medicaid patients and addressing transparency.)

Item 295 #2h

Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Medical Assistance Services	(\$2,614,200) (\$2,939,892)	\$0 GF \$0 NGF

Language:

Page 371, line 1, strike "\$452,717,516" and insert "\$447,163,424".

Explanation:

(This amendment redirects \$2.6 million from the general fund and \$2.9 million from the nongeneral fund the first year from administrative costs in the Department of Medical Assistance Services provided in the introduced budget.)

Item 295 #3h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Medical Assistance Services

Language

Language:

Page 379, after line 22, insert:

"RR. The Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) and the Department of Social Services (DSS) shall collaborate on methods to ensure that applicants for and recipients of medical assistance are aware of (i) assistance available for verifying eligibility information and (ii) how to contact the appropriate person if an applicant or recipient receives eligibility information after a due date or experiences difficulty securing eligibility verifications. DMAS and DSS shall make recommendations to the Governor and Secretary of Health and Human Resources by October 1, 2026, if changes are needed that cannot be remedied administratively. DMAS and DSS shall post information in a prominent place on their websites and other social media platforms they regularly use informing recipients of medical assistance about how to receive assistance on eligibility, applications, and eligibility appeals. Such information shall include how applicants and recipients can ensure the agencies receive timely information on eligibility applications and requests to appeal eligibility decisions, as well as a U.S. Postal Service recommendations to customers to ensure that postmarks applied to mail match the date of mailing."

Explanation:

(This amendment requires the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) and the Department of Social Services (DSS) to collaborate on methods to ensure applicants and recipients are aware of assistance for verifying medical assistance eligibility information. Language requires the agencies to make recommendations on any changes needed to assist applicants and recipients in verifying eligibility that cannot be made administratively. Language also requires DMAS and DSS to post this information on their websites and inform applicants and recipients of medical assistance on how to ensure timely receipt of information.)

Item 295 #4h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Medical Assistance Services

Language

Language:

Page 379, after line 22, insert:

"RR. When considering the expansion of a Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) program through a Request for Application, the Department of Medical Assistance Services shall consider giving priority to establishing a PACE program in the central

Shenandoah Valley."

Explanation:

(This amendment adds language requiring the Department of Medical Assistance Services to consider giving priority to establishing a Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) program in the central Shenandoah Valley through a Request for Application when expanding the program. The Medicaid PACE program was established to help adults ages 55+ who are living with chronic healthcare needs and/or disabilities receive community-based healthcare services and supports. By providing flexibility in how participants' healthcare needs are met, PACE is often able to assist persons by meeting the functional nursing home level of care to reside within their own homes and communities longer than would have otherwise been possible. Several years ago a hospital system in the Shenandoah Valley region was offered the opportunity to establish a PACE program, however, the provider chose not to do so. There are currently willing providers in this region of the Commonwealth who would like to operate such a program.)

Item 297 #1h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services

Language

Language:

Page 380, after line 25, insert:

"D. Notwithstanding § 37.2-316 of the Code of Virginia, the Commissioner shall proceed with the closure of Hiram Davis Medical Center by December 2027."

Explanation:

(This amendment adds language directing the Commissioner of DBHDS to proceed with the proposed closure of Hiram Davis Medical Center.)

Item 299 #1h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Behavioral Health and
Developmental Services

(\$250,000)
\$250,000

\$0 GF
\$0 NGF

Language:

Page 386, line 38, strike "general fund" and insert:

"Commonwealth Opioid Abatement and Remediation Fund".

Page 386, line 40, after "disabilities" insert:

"and individuals with substance use disorder".

Explanation:

(This amendment swaps \$250,000 the first year from the general fund with \$250,000 from the Commonwealth Opioid Abatement and Remediation Fund to provide service dogs for individuals with disabilities and substance use disorder.)

	Item 299 #2h		
Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services	\$455,000 2.00	\$450,000 2.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 381, line 9, strike "\$175,337,986" and insert "\$175,792,986".

Page 381, line 9, strike "\$175,087,986" and insert "\$175,537,986".

Page 386, after line 40, insert:

"QQ. Out of this appropriation, \$455,000 the first year and \$450,000 the second year from the general fund is provided for the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to create statewide standards for recovery residences, develop a complaint process, and collect necessary data regarding recovery residences."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$455,000 the first year and \$450,000 the second year from the general fund and 2.0 positions for DBHDS to adopt regulations for recovery residences and monitor credentialing agencies pursuant to the provisions in House Bill 931 of the 2026 General Assembly.)

	Item 299 #3h	
Health and Human Resources		
Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services		Language

Language:

Page 385, line 8, after "telehealth" insert "or in person".

Page 385, line 8, after "provider" insert:

"or direct funding to cover costs of current contractual agreements with a mental telehealth provider."

Explanation:

(This amendment adds language to clarify that school divisions may use available funding to support services provided by in-person therapists and providers, not just mental telehealth

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providers. Language is also added to clarify that localities that have already contracted with a mental telehealth provider can reimburse those costs through this grant program.)

Item 301 #1h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Grants to Localities

\$7,800,000

\$7,800,000

GF

Language:

Page 390, line 48, strike "\$816,747,052" and insert "\$824,547,052".

Page 390, line 48, strike "\$816,747,052" and insert "\$824,547,052".

Page 395, line 40, strike "\$16,200,000" and "\$16,200,000" and insert: "\$24,000,000" and "\$24,000,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$7.8 million each year from the general fund to fund the implementation of Marcus Alert for the remaining 13 community services boards that have not yet begun their implementation.)

Item 301 #2h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Grants to Localities

\$100,000

\$0

GF

Language:

Page 390, line 48, strike "\$816,747,052" and insert "\$816,847,052".

Page 397, after line 2, insert:

"TT. Out of this appropriation, \$100,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to support the Healing Station Counseling Center to strengthen the behavioral health workforce."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$100,000 the first year from the general fund to support the Healing Station Counseling Center to strengthen the behavioral health workforce through no-cost clinical supervision for pre-licensed clinicians and to expand the free outpatient mental health services for low-income and uninsured individuals in Planning District 16, increasing the availability of licensed providers and improving access to timely, quality, behavioral health care.)

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Grants to Localities

\$250,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 390, line 48, strike "\$816,747,052" and insert "\$816,997,052".

Page 397, after line 2, insert:

"TT. Out of this appropriation, \$250,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to Henrico County to support the Autism Society of Central Virginia in building an autism community hub."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$250,000 the first year from the general fund to Henrico County to support the building of a inclusive center for autism, neurodiverse, and medically complex families in Central Virginia.)

Item 318 #1h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department for Aging and
Rehabilitative Services

\$1,000,000
\$3,694,836

\$0 GF
\$0 NGF

Language:

Page 401, line 25, strike "\$123,960,176" and insert "\$128,655,012".

Page 401, line 37, strike "\$18,006,465" and and insert:

"\$19,006,465".

Page 401, line 42, strike the first "\$66,530,929" and insert:

"\$70,225,765".

Explanation:

(This amendment adds language and \$1.0 million from the general fund and \$3.7 million from federal vocational rehabilitation grants the first year to expand vocational rehabilitation services provided through the Department of Aging and Rehabilitation Services.)

Item 318 #2h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department for Aging and
Rehabilitative Services

\$1,000,000

\$1,000,000 GF

Language:

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Page 401, line 25, strike "\$123,960,176" and insert "\$124,960,176".

Page 401, line 25, strike "\$123,960,176" and insert "\$124,960,176".

Page 403, line 18, strike the first "\$10,396,719" and insert "\$11,396,719".

Page 403, line 18, strike the second "\$10,396,719" and insert "\$11,396,719".

Explanation:

(This amendment modifies language and adds \$1.0 million from the general fund each year for community services for individuals with brain injury. Community service providers continue to have waiting lists for services and struggle to meet existing service needs of this population that requires specialized supports. This funding would support the existing state-contracted safety net brain injury services system to provide for increased statewide coverage of critical services and strengthen existing programs to include: hiring additional case managers and clinical professional staff, equipment and information technology modernization, statewide awareness/education efforts, and other critical supports to meet the growing demands for brain injury services across the state. Of this amount, up to \$125,000 each year would be used to support the operating expenses for an additional 22 supportive housing units for persons with brain injury.)

Item 319 #1h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department for Aging and
Rehabilitative Services

\$3,000,000

\$3,000,000 GF

Language:

Page 404, line 12, strike "\$41,964,449" and insert "\$44,964,449".

Page 404, line 12, strike "\$41,964,449" and insert "\$44,964,449".

Page 406, after line 10, insert:

"P. Out of this appropriation, \$3,000,000 the first year and \$3,000,000 the second year from the general fund shall be provided to increase support to Area Agencies on Aging."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$3.0 million from the general fund the each year to cover increased costs for providing current services for Area Agencies on Aging and meeting the increased demand for home care services, transportation, nutritional services and other critical services that allow elderly individuals to age in place.)

Item 319 #2h

Health and Human Resources

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Department for Aging and
Rehabilitative Services

\$400,000

\$400,000 GF

Language:

Page 404, line 12, strike "\$41,964,449" and insert "\$42,364,449".

Page 404, line 12, strike "\$41,964,449" and insert "\$42,364,449".

Page 406, after line 10, insert:

"P. Out of this appropriation, \$400,000 the first year and \$400,000 the second year from the general fund shall be provided to the County of Fairfax to continue support to the Washington Area Villages Exchange for a pilot program to reduce the public health risk of social isolation among older Virginians by expanding the availability of Villages statewide. The Washington Area Villages Exchange shall report on the progress of the pilot program to the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees by November 1, 2027."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$400,000 each year from the general fund to the County of Fairfax to continue support to the Washington Area Villages Exchange pilot program to reduce the public health risk of social isolation among older Virginians by expanding the availability of Villages statewide. Villages are a proven means of combating isolation while enabling older adults to age in place and live safely and independently in their homes. Language requires the Washington Area Villages Exchange to report on the progress of the pilot program by November 1, 2027.)

Item 324 #1h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department for Aging and
Rehabilitative Services

\$470,400

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 408, line 20, strike "\$19,465,407" and insert "\$19,935,807".

Page 408, after line 27, insert:

"The Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services shall include the Virginia Department of Health Office of Licensing and Certification and the Department of Medical Assistance Services as members of the Nursing Facility Quality and Operations Commission pursuant to the provisions of House Bill 1357, 2026 Session of the General Assembly. The Virginia Department of Health and the Department of Medical Assistance Services shall provide assistance, information, and data as requested to the Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services for the study. Any unexpended balances in this paragraph at the close of business on June 30, 2027 shall not revert to the general fund but shall be carried forward and reappropriated for this purpose."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$470,000 the first year from the general fund for the fiscal impact of House Bill 1357, 2026 Session of the General Assembly, which establishes the Nursing Facility Quality and Operations Commission for the purpose of conducting a comprehensive study of the quality of care, resident safety, and operational practices of nursing facilities in the Commonwealth. Language is added requiring the Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services (DARS) to include the Virginia Department of Health and the Department of Medical Assistance Services as members of the Commission and for those agencies to provide assistance, information and data as requested by DARS. Language also allows for the carryforward of any unspent funding to fiscal year 2028.)

Item 328 #1h

Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Social Services	\$0	\$211,029,027	GF

Language:

Page 409, line 38, strike "\$72,568,002" and insert "\$283,597,029".

Page 411, after line 9, insert:

"K. Out of this appropriation, \$211,029,027 the second year from the general fund is provided to fund the new state share of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefit allotments."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$211.0 million the second year from the general fund to fund the expected state share of SNAP benefit allotments due to H.R. 1. If Virginia's SNAP error rate is 6% or higher, the state will have to begin funding a portion of SNAP benefit allotments starting October 1, 2027. The state's error rate is currently 11.5 percent.)

Item 328 #2h

Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Social Services	\$600,000	\$600,000	GF
	1.00	1.00	FTE

Language:

Page 409, line 38, strike "\$69,848,812" and insert "\$70,448,812".

Page 409, line 38, strike "\$72,568,002" and insert "\$73,168,002".

Page 411, after line 9, insert:

"K. Out of this appropriation, \$600,000 the first year and \$600,000 the second year from the general fund is provided for the Department of Social Services to create a new statewide

program to support the well-being and improve the retention of local department of social services workers."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$600,000 each year from the general fund and one position to implement evidence-based recommendations for a statewide program to provide better support the well-being of local department of social services workers and improve the retention of the state's child welfare workforce. Key components of this program are a confidential peer support hotline, implementation of the Community Resilience Model, and on-site response to support DSS workers after critical incidents.)

Item 328 #3h

Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Social Services	\$375,000	\$363,450	GF
	\$125,000	\$121,150	NGF

Language:

Page 409, line 38, strike "\$69,848,812" and insert "\$70,348,812".

Page 409, line 38, strike "\$72,568,002" and insert "\$73,052,602".

Page 411, after line 9, insert:

"K. Out of this appropriation, \$375,000 the first year and \$363,450 the second year from the general fund and \$125,000 the first year and \$121,150 the second year from nongeneral funds is provided to establish a multidisciplinary law office in Roanoke City for the purpose of representing parents in a child dependency court proceeding or in a child protective services assessment or investigation prior to such proceeding. The local Roanoke entity establishing such multidisciplinary law office will be the Qualified Legal Services Provider previously approved by the Virginia State Bar, and will enter into an agreement with a local department of social services or the Virginia Department of Social Services to receive the Title IV-E funding for eligible administrative costs of providing legal representation for a parent or guardian of a child who is a candidate for, or in, Title IV-E foster care to prepare for and participate in all stages of foster care legal proceedings."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$375,000 the first year and \$363,450 the second year from the general fund and \$125,000 the first year and \$121,150 the second year from nongeneral funds to establish a multidisciplinary law office in Roanoke to represent parents in child dependency matters pursuant to the second enactment clause of House Bill 893 of the 2024 General Assembly Session.)

Item 330 #1h

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Department of Social Services

\$22,431,669

\$29,908,893

GF

Language:

Page 413, line 2, strike "\$686,348,033" and insert "\$708,779,702".

Page 413, line 2, strike "\$686,348,033" and insert "\$716,256,926".

Page 414, after line 2, insert:

"J. Out of this appropriation, \$22,431,669 the first year and \$29,908,893 the second year from the general fund is provided to fund the increase in the state and local share of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Benefit administrative costs."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides an additional \$22.4 million the first year from the general fund and \$29.9 million the second year from the general fund to fully fund the cost of the increased state and local share of SNAP administrative costs as a result of H.R. 1, bringing the total to \$65.5 million the first year and \$87.3 million the second year. This additional funding will support local departments of social services who receive funding through direct federal pass throughs.)

Item 332 #1h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Social Services

Language

Language:

Page 416, after line 4, insert:

"F. The Director, Department of Planning and Budget, shall, on or before August 1, 2026, unallot \$2,000,000 from the general fund in this item, which reflects unused balances in the auxiliary grants program."

Explanation:

(This amendment captures \$2.0 million in balances the first year in the Auxiliary Grant program within the Department of Social Services.)

Item 333 #1h

Health and Human Resources

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Department of Social Services

(\$7,096,414)

\$0

GF

-66.00

0.00

FTE

Language:

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Page 416, line 5, strike "\$295,640,555" and insert "\$288,544,141".

Page 419, line 1, strike "\$14,596,414" and insert "\$7,500,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment removes \$7.1 million the first year from the general fund and 66 positions to reflect the phased in implementation of a centralized child protective services system pursuant to the provisions of House Bill 1490 of the 2026 General Assembly.)

Item 335 #1h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Social Services

\$2,000,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 419, line 42, strike "\$73,413,045" and insert "\$75,413,045".

Page 420, line 55, strike "\$2,717,756" and insert "\$4,717,756".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides an additional \$2.0 million the first year from the general fund to increase funding for child advocacy centers, bringing the total for fiscal year 2027 to \$4.7 million.)

Item 335 #2h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Social Services

\$500,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 419, line 42, strike "\$73,413,045" and insert "\$73,913,045".

Page 423, after line 53, insert:

"CC. Out of this appropriation, \$500,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the City of Virginia Beach to support the YMCA of South Hampton Roads and the YMCA of the Virginia Peninsula to jointly administer a safety around water program in their service areas."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$500,000 the first year from the general fund to support a swim safety program in Hampton Roads administered by YMCAs.)

Item 335 #3h

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Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Social Services	\$250,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 419, line 42, strike "\$73,413,045" and insert "\$73,663,045".
Page 423, line 51, strike the first "\$200,000" and insert "\$450,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides an additional \$250,000 the first year from the general fund to support Lorton Community Action Center, bringing the total to \$450,000. Lorton Community Action Center delivers housing stabilization, food assistance, and wraparound services to low-income individuals and families in Fairfax County.)

Item 335 #4h

Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Social Services	\$100,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 419, line 42, strike "\$73,413,045" and insert "\$73,513,045".
Page 423, after line 53, insert:
"CC. Out of this appropriation, \$100,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the City of Richmond to support Sacred Heart Center to provide services and legal support to the immigrant and refugee population in South Richmond and North Chesterfield."

Explanation:

(This amendment is self-explanatory.)

Item 335 #5h

Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Social Services	\$1,125,000	\$1,125,000 NGF

Language:

Page 419, line 42, strike "\$73,413,045" and insert "\$74,538,045".
Page 419, line 42, strike "\$73,413,045" and insert "\$74,538,045".
Page 420, after line 22, insert:
"4. Out of this appropriation, \$1,125,000 the first year and \$1,125,000 the second year from the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) block grant shall be provided for competitive grants to Community Action Agencies for a Two Generation/Whole Family Project

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and for the evaluation of the program. Applicants selected for the project shall provide a match of no less than 20 percent of the grant, including in-kind services. The Department of Social Services shall report to the General Assembly annually on the progress of the program and shall complete a final report no later than six years after the commencement of the program."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$1.1 million each year from the TANF block grant to restore funding for the Two Generation/Whole Family Project, which supports Community Action Agencies' nationally recognized efforts to help families move into self sufficiency. House Bill 30 as introduced eliminated the program.)

Item 335 #6h

Health and Human Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Social Services

\$2,275,000

\$2,275,000 NGF

Language:

Page 419, line 42, strike "\$73,413,045" and insert "\$75,688,045".

Page 419, line 42, strike "\$73,413,045" and insert "\$75,688,045".

Page 420, line 17, strike "\$11,250,000" and "\$11,250,000" and insert:
"\$13,525,000" and "\$13,525,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$2.3 million each year from the TANF block grant to increase support for Community Action Agencies, which provide an array of services to meet the needs of low-income individuals and families. This amendment would bring the annual total to \$13.5 million each year from TANF.)

Item 335 #7h

Health and Human Resources

Department of Social Services

Language

Language:

Page 423, line 43, strike "Chesapeake" and insert "Portsmouth".

Explanation:

(This amendment revises language to provide appropriated funding for Buffalow Family and Friends to the City of Portsmouth instead of the City of Chesapeake.)

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Item 338 #1h

Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Social Services	\$72,734	\$72,734	GF
	\$72,734	\$72,734	NGF
	1.00	1.00	FTE

Language:

Page 425, line 8, strike "\$160,180,965" and insert "\$160,326,433".

Page 425, line 8, strike "\$160,180,965" and insert "\$160,326,433".

Page 426, after line 47, insert:

"J. Out of this appropriation, \$72,734 the first year and \$72,734 the second year from the general fund and \$72,734 the first year and \$72,734 the second year from the nongeneral fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 61 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$72,734 in fiscal year 2027 and \$72,734 in fiscal year 2028 from the general fund, and like amounts from the nongeneral fund to the Department of Social Services to hire an additional employee in the agency's Procurement Unit to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 61 of the 2026 General Assembly.)

Item 338 #2h

Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Social Services	\$318,145	\$0	GF
	\$181,855	\$0	NGF

Language:

Page 425, line 8, strike "\$160,180,965" and insert "\$160,680,965".

Page 426, after line 47, insert:

"J. Out of this appropriation, \$318,145 the first year from the general fund and \$181,855 the first year from nongeneral funds is provided for the Department of Social Services to contract with a third-party vendor to study and create a plan to modernize the systems used to administer federal medical assistance and other benefits assistance programs."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$318,145 the first year from the general fund and \$181,855 the first year from nongeneral funds for DSS to contract with a vendor and create a plan to modernize their eligibility determination technological systems pursuant to the provisions of House Bill 66 of the 2026 General Assembly.)

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Item 338 #3h

Health and Human Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Social Services	\$500,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 425, line 8, strike "\$160,180,965" and insert "\$160,680,965".

Page 426, after line 47, insert:

"J. Out of this appropriation, \$500,000 the first year from the general fund is provided for the Department of Social Services to implement a food desert mapping tool or dashboard that identifies food deserts across the Commonwealth, highlighting drivers of food insecurity. The Department shall also work towards establishing a plan to coordinate state-level food security responses during potential federal nutrition benefit interruptions, natural disasters, or other emergencies affecting household food access."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$500,000 the first year from the general fund for DSS to create a food desert mapping tool to identify the food deserts in the state to illustrate any drivers of food insecurity. Language also directs DSS to work towards establishing a plan to coordinate state-level food security responses during emergencies impacting household food access.)

Item 352 #1h

Labor	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Labor and Industry	\$2,053,000 3.00	\$353,000 3.00 GF FTE

Language:

Page 432, line 12, strike "\$2,392,677" and insert "\$4,445,677".

Page 432, line 12, strike "\$2,392,677" and insert "\$2,745,677".

Page 433, after line 3, insert:

"D. Out of this appropriation, \$2,053,000 the first year and \$353,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 569 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$2.1 million in fiscal year 2027 and \$353,000 in fiscal year 2028 from the general fund for the Department of Labor and Industry to hire three additional FTEs to administer a certified payroll program and conduct a state-wide survey of prevailing wage rates. Funding of \$1.7 million in fiscal year 2027 is for the Department of Labor and Industry to purchase a system for collecting certified payrolls.)

Item 352 #2h

Labor	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Labor and Industry	\$6,500,000	\$3,635,000	GF
	25.00	25.00	FTE

Language:

Page 432, line 12, strike "\$2,392,677" and insert "\$8,892,677".

Page 432, line 12, strike "\$2,392,677" and insert "\$6,027,677".

Page 433, after line 3, insert:

"D. Out of this appropriation, \$6,500,000 the first year and \$3,635,000 the second year from the general fund is provided for the Department to hire additional personnel for labor law enforcement activities and to develop a comprehensive case management system. Any balances for the purposes specified in this paragraph which are unexpended on June 30, 2027 and June 30, 2028 shall not revert to the general fund but shall be carried forward and reappropriated. The Secretary of Labor in collaboration with the Department, and the Department and Planning and Budget shall develop an implementation plan that includes: (i) reorganization of the labor law divisions' current responsibilities; (ii) a hiring strategy; (iii) space considerations to accommodate new personnel; and (iv) additional resources needed for Fiscal Year 2028. The Secretary of Labor shall submit this report to the General Assembly on or before October 1, 2026."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$7.1 million over the biennium for the Department of Labor and Industry to hire 25 additional employees for enforcement of Virginia's labor laws and to develop a comprehensive wage, leave, and non-compete case management system. The funds provided in this amendment will allow the Department of Labor and Industry to implement House Bills 5, 20, 238, 260, 339, 627, 636, 670, 675, 923, 930, 944, and 1218 of the 2026 General Assembly. Companion amendments to this item and central accounts fund remaining staffing and personnel costs associated with House Bill 5.)

Item 352 #3h

Labor	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Labor and Industry	\$0	\$2,107,738	GF
	0.00	14.00	FTE

Language:

Page 432, line 12, strike "\$2,392,677" and insert "\$4,500,415".

Page 433, after line 3, insert:

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"D. Out of this appropriation, \$2,107,738 the second year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 5 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$2.1 million in fiscal year 2028 from the general fund for the Department of Labor and Industry to hire 14 additional staff to investigate paid sick leave related complaints. A companion amendment to this item provides \$3.0 million for the Department of Labor and Industry to develop new systems to track leave, wage, and non-compete related violations.)

Item 353 #1h

Labor	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Labor and Industry	\$106,133	\$504,680 GF

Language:

Page 433, line 4, strike "\$14,868,270" and insert "\$14,974,403".

Page 433, line 4, strike "\$14,868,270" and insert "\$15,372,950".

Page 433, after line 20, insert:

"C. Out of this appropriation, \$106,133 the first year and \$504,680 the second year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 1092 of the 2026 General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$610,813 over the biennium from the general fund to support the Virginia Occupational Safety and Health Program for the purposes of working on heat stress regulations described by House Bill 1092 of the 2026 General Assembly.)

Item 356 #1h

Labor	Language
Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation	

Language:

Page 434, after line 32, insert:

"E. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 54. 1-113, any regulatory board within the Department of Health Professions and the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation may adjust its fees annually to reflect up to one and one-half times the rate of inflation from the previous date that the dollar amount was established, as measured by the Consumer Price Index, in order to appropriately maintain operating funds so that the fees are sufficient but not excessive to cover expenses. Such regulations shall be exempt from the requirements of the

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Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.), except to any extent that they may be specifically made subject to §§ 2.2-4030 and 2.2-4031. Such regulations shall comply with the provisions of § 2.2-4103 of the Virginia Register Act (§ 2.2-4100 et seq.). Any regulatory board that amends its fees pursuant to this section shall conduct a public hearing prior to making such amendment."

Explanation:

(This amendment allows any regulatory board within the Department of Health Professions and the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation to adjust its fees annually to reflect up to one and one-half times the rate of inflation. This is a companion amendment to House Bill 796 of the 2026 General Assembly that provides for a similar fee setting process.)

Item 357 #1h

Labor	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Workforce Development and Advancement	\$500,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 434, line 41, strike "\$47,153,983" and insert "\$47,653,983".

Page 435, after line 19, insert:

"E. Out of this appropriation, \$500,000 the first year from the general fund is provided for workforce development programming through the Greater Roanoke Workforce Development Board in partnership with the Blue Ridge Partnership for Health Science Careers. The initiative will work to mitigate ongoing chronic healthcare labor challenges by increasing the flow of trained healthcare professionals who enter the field. Programs will be developed in collaboration with employers using verified health workforce data and will include but are not limited to the attraction and retention of skilled workers, and upskilling of incumbent workers. Funds will also assist employers with increased costs of required clinical instruction related to training programs in this initiative. Any balances for the purposes specified in this paragraph which are unexpended on June 30, 2027 and June 30, 2028 shall not revert to the general fund but shall be carried forward and reappropriated."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$500,000 over the biennium from the general fund to the Greater Roanoke Workforce Development Board to support talent development for the health and biomedical sciences industry in the Roanoke Valley and Alleghany Highlands.)

Item 357 #2h

Labor	FY26-27	FY27-28
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Department of Workforce
Development and Advancement

\$200,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 434, line 41, strike "\$47,153,983" and insert "\$47,353,983".

Page 435, after line 19, insert:

"E. Out of this appropriation, \$200,000 the first year from the general fund is provided for the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments to serve as Virginia's contribution to maintain and buildout the Talent Capital Initiative. The funding is contingent on the District of Columbia and Maryland committing a like amount to maintain this initiative through the end of calendar year 2027."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$200,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund to the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments to serve as Virginia's share for maintaining and building the Talent Capital Initiative, which was established in 2025 to support both jobseekers and employers, including displaced federal employees and contractors.)

Item 359 #1h

Labor

Virginia Employment Commission

Language

Language:

Page 437, after line 44, insert:

"M. The Virginia Employment Commission is hereby authorized to request and receive a treasury loan to fund the necessary start-up costs associated with the implementation of a Paid Family and Medical Leave Program contingent upon the enactment of House Bill 1207 of the 2026 General Assembly. The treasury loan shall be repaid from revenues received from premiums assessed to employers and employees beginning in 2028, and shall be repaid no later than January 1, 2034."

Explanation:

(This amendment authorizes a treasury loan for the implementation of House Bill 1207 of the 2026 General Assembly that requires the Virginia Employment Commission to establish and administer a Paid Family and Medical Leave program with benefits beginning January 1, 2029. Funding for the program is provided through premiums assessed to employers and employees beginning in 2028. Start-up costs for the program are expected to be \$116.5 million.)

Item 361 #1h

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Natural and Historic Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Secretary of Natural Resources

\$1,500,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 439, line 3, strike "\$1,395,227" and insert "\$2,895,227".

Page 440, after line 25, insert:

"F. Out of the appropriation in this item, \$1,500,000 the first year from the general fund is provided for the nonfederal match for a United States Army Corps of Engineers study of the causes of and potential solutions to widening in Chincoteague Inlet."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$1.5 million from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 as the nonfederal match for a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers study of the widening of Chincoteague Inlet.)

Item 361 #2h

Natural and Historic Resources

Secretary of Natural Resources

Language

Language:

Page 440, after line 25, insert:

"F. The Secretary shall conduct a review of the state's stranding response network for tidal waters and shorelines along the Atlantic Ocean and Chesapeake Bay. Such review shall include consideration of: (i) contributions to the network made by the Virginia Aquarium and Marine Science Center, and (ii) options to enhance state support of overall response activities. The Secretary shall provide a report on his findings to the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees by November 1, 2026."

Explanation:

(This language amendment directs the Secretary of Natural Resources to conduct a review of the state's stranding response network for tidal waters and shorelines along the Atlantic Ocean and Chesapeake Bay.)

Item 362 #1h

Natural and Historic Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Conservation and
Recreation

\$140,000
1.00

\$140,000 GF
1.00 FTE

Language:

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Page 440, line 32, strike "\$434,875,166" and insert "\$435,015,166".

Page 440, line 32, strike "\$146,870,581" and insert "\$147,010,581".

Page 444, after line 42, insert:

"W. Out of the appropriation in this item, \$140,000 the first year and \$140,000 the second year from the general fund and one position is provided for a biosolids coordinator consistent with the provisions of § 62.1-44.19:3C(8), Code of Virginia."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$140,000 from the general fund each year and one position to support a biosolids coordinator position at the Department of Conservation and Recreation.)

Item 362 #2h

Natural and Historic Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Conservation and
Recreation

\$30,000

\$30,000 GF

Language:

Page 440, line 32, strike "\$434,875,166" and insert "\$434,905,166".

Page 440, line 32, strike "\$146,870,581" and insert "\$146,900,581".

Page 444, after line 42, insert:

"W. Out of the amounts in this item, \$30,000 the first year and \$30,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to support buoy maintenance and hydrilla mitigation activities at Lake Anna."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$30,000 from the general fund each year for buoy maintenance and hydrilla mitigation at Lake Anna.)

Item 362 #3h

Natural and Historic Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Conservation and
Recreation

(\$36,200,000)

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 440, line 32, strike "\$434,875,166" and insert "\$398,675,166".

Page 443, line 52, strike "\$144,121,142" and insert "\$107,921,142".

Page 444, line 8, strike "\$137,171,142" and insert "\$100,971,142".

Page 444, line 13, strike "\$83,537,226" and insert "\$61,491,425".

Page 444, line 15, strike "\$35,801,668" and insert "\$26,353,468".

Page 444, line 17, strike "\$17,832,248" and insert "\$13,126,248".

Explanation:

(This amendment removes \$36.2 million the first year from the general fund supplemental deposit Water Quality Improvement Fund. This amendment preserves the mandatory Part A and Part B deposits totaling \$107.9 million the first year, as well as \$141.9 million in supplemental nongeneral fund deposits for agricultural best management practices found in Paragraphs U and V of Item 362 of House Bill 30 as introduced. From all funds, the total first year deposit for the Water Quality Improvement Fund after this action is \$249.9 million.)

Item 362 #4h

Natural and Historic Resources

Department of Conservation and Recreation

Language

Language:

Page 442, line 19, strike:

", unless the cash balance in the reserve at the end of the prior fiscal" and insert "."

Page 442, strike line 20.

Explanation:

(This amendment removes language proposed in the introduced budget that would preclude a transfer of interest earnings from the Natural Resources Commitment Fund to the Water Quality Improvement Fund reserve if the total balance of the reserve is greater than \$70 million.)

Item 362 #5h

Natural and Historic Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Conservation and
Recreation

\$2,000,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 440, line 32, strike "\$434,875,166" and insert "\$436,875,166".

Page 444, after line 42, insert:

"W. Out of the appropriation in this item, \$2,000,000 the first year from the general fund shall be deposited to the Virginia Water Quality Improvement Fund for the Virginia Conservation Assistance Program administered by the Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$2.0 million from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 to support the Virginia Conservation Assistance Program (VCAP). VCAP is an urban cost share program

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administered by the Virginia Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts to provide financial incentives and technical and educational assistance to property owners installing eligible best management practices.)

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Natural and Historic Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Conservation and
Recreation

\$1,497,500

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 444, line 43, strike "\$107,506,363" and insert "\$109,003,863".

Page 446, after line 23, insert:

"K. Out of the amounts in this item, \$1,497,500 the first year from the general fund is provided to the Lake Barcroft Watershed Improvement District for engineering and construction costs related to the Lake Barcroft Dam Flood Mitigation Project."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$1.5 million the first year from the general fund to complete engineering and support construction of the Lake Barcroft Dam Flood Mitigation Project in Fairfax County. The Lake Barcroft Watershed Improvement District is a political subdivision of the Commonwealth.)

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Natural and Historic Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Environmental Quality

\$650,000
5.00

\$650,000 GF
5.00 FTE

Language:

Page 447, line 12, strike "\$60,396,062" and insert "\$61,046,062".

Page 447, line 12, strike "\$60,397,686" and insert "\$61,047,686".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$650,000 from the general fund each year and five positions to support the additional workload of PFAS Action Plan Development and permit administration.)

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Natural and Historic Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

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Department of Environmental Quality

\$200,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 447, line 12, strike "\$60,396,062" and insert "\$60,596,062".

Page 448, after line 45, insert:

"M. The Department of Environmental Quality (the Department) shall study the threats and challenges to the groundwater supply in western Loudoun and Fauquier Counties. In conducting such study, the Department shall (i) provide historical and current data and trends relating to groundwater levels and groundwater quality; (ii) include future projections for groundwater levels and groundwater quality; (iii) evaluate potential future impacts to the groundwater supply as a result of increasing groundwater withdrawals; (iv) evaluate whether a groundwater management area should be established for the region pursuant to Chapter 25 (§ 62.1-254 et seq.) of Title 62.1 of the Code of Virginia; and (v) recommend any statutory or regulatory restrictions to ensure that future development in the region does not endanger the health and safety of the region's residents nor the water needs of existing commercial enterprises. Technical assistance shall be provided to the Department by the State Water Control Board. All agencies of the Commonwealth shall provide assistance to the Department for this study, upon request. The Department shall complete its meetings by November 30, 2026, and shall submit to the Chairs of the House Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources and the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources a report of its findings and recommendations no later than December 31, 2026. Out of the amounts in this item, \$200,000 the first year is provided to support the activities required by this paragraph."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$200,000 the first year from the general fund to support a study of challenges to the groundwater supply in western Loudoun and Fauquier Counties.)

Item 366 #3h

Natural and Historic Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Environmental Quality

\$300,000

\$300,000 GF

Language:

Page 447, line 12, strike "\$60,396,062" and insert "\$60,696,062".

Page 447, line 12, strike "\$60,397,686" and insert "\$60,697,686".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$300,000 each year from the general fund to support Hazardous Substances Storage Tank program activities.)

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Natural and Historic Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Environmental Quality	\$200,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 448, line 46, strike "\$31,589,292" and insert "\$31,789,292".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$200,000 the first year from the general fund pursuant to House Bill 1011, which expands an existing litter tax study to include the diversion of compost and other organic waste materials from landfills.)

Item 367 #2h

Natural and Historic Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Environmental Quality	\$250,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 448, line 46, strike "\$31,589,292" and insert "\$31,839,292".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$250,000 the first year from the general fund pursuant to House Bill 1502.)

Item 368 #1h

Natural and Historic Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Environmental Quality	\$50,000,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 449, line 47, strike "\$258,956,273" and insert "\$308,956,273".

Page 451, after line 39, insert:

"M. Out of the amounts in this item, \$50,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the City of Richmond to pay a portion of the costs of its combined sewer overflow control project. Any balances for the purposes specified in this paragraph which are unexpended at year-end shall not revert to the general fund but shall be carried forward and reappropriated."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$50 million the first year from the general fund to the City of Richmond for its combined sewer overflow (CSO) control project.)

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Item 368 #2h

Natural and Historic Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Environmental Quality	\$500,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 449, line 47, strike "\$258,956,273" and insert "\$259,456,273".

Page 451, after line 39, insert:

"M. The Department shall conduct a statewide PFAS disposal analysis, including consideration and estimates, as appropriate, of available landfill capacity, future landfill or monofill capacity, incineration or other available and innovate PFAS destruction technology, environmental impacts of alternatives, costs estimated at the state, locality or utility, and household levels, and loss of biosolids land applications benefits to farmers. The Department shall engage the services of a qualified consulting engineering firm with significant experience in disposal alternatives and shall oversee the analysis with the assistance of the PFAS Advisory Committee. Out of the amounts in this item, \$500,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of this paragraph."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$500,000 from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 for the Department of Environmental Quality to conduct an analysis of PFAS disposal alternatives.)

Item 368 #3h

Natural and Historic Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Environmental Quality	\$1,000,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 449, line 47, strike "\$258,956,273" and insert "\$259,956,273".

Page 451, after line 39, insert:

"M. Out of the amounts in this item, \$1,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided for the County of Prince William to assist with the connection of Bristow Manor to the Prince William County wastewater collection system."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$1.0 million from the general fund the first year to support the connection of Bristow Manor to the Prince William County wastewater collection system.)

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Natural and Historic Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Environmental Quality

\$188,870,745

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 449, line 47, strike "\$258,956,273" and insert "\$447,827,018".

Page 451, after line 39, insert:

"M. From amounts in this item, \$188,870,745 the first year from the general fund is provided for deposit into the Water Quality Improvement Fund for matching grants for eligible wastewater projects for Chesapeake Bay nutrient reductions under §§ 10.1-1186.01.F., 10.1-2131.C., and 62.1-44.19:14.G.1., Code of Virginia."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$188.9 million the first year from the general fund for deposit in the Water Quality Improvement Fund to provide matching grants for eligible wastewater treatment plant improvement projects.)

Item 368 #5h

Natural and Historic Resources

Department of Environmental Quality

Language

Language:

Page 451, line 13, strike "taxable" and insert "tax exempt".

Explanation:

(This amendment makes a technical correction to language included in House Bill 30 as introduced which delineates additional application acceptance requirements for WQIF eligible grants administered by the Department of Environmental Quality.)

Item 369 #1h

Natural and Historic Resources

Department of Environmental Quality

Language

Language:

Page 452, after line 3, insert:

"C. All agencies or authorities of the Commonwealth with responsibilities identified in § 10.1-1330 of the Code of Virginia, shall take all actions necessary to rejoin the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, as defined in § 10.1-1329 of the Code of Virginia, and resume participation therein. Such required actions include (i) repealing or otherwise nullifying the final regulation

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titled 9VAC5-140, Regulation for Emissions Trading Programs, published in the Virginia Register of Regulations on July 31, 2023, no later than 90 days from the effective date of this act; (ii) reissuing or otherwise reinstating the final regulation titled 9VAC5-140, Regulation for Emissions Trading Programs, published in the Virginia Register of Regulations on August 3, 2020, including any amendments necessary to account for the time such regulation was not in effect, no later than 90 days from the effective date of this act; (iii) no later than January 1, 2027, updating, amending, or revising the regulation to align with the latest Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative program review and revised model rule; (iv) entering into a contractual agreement with the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, Inc. to rejoin the program, which the Director shall sign, and selling the allowances generated by the reissued regulatory program through auctions run by the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, Inc.; (v) transferring auction proceeds, and any interest thereon, in accordance with subsection B of § 10.1-1330 of Code of Virginia with the responsible agencies disbursing such funds as expeditiously as possible; and (vi) providing annual reporting in accordance with subsection C of § 10.1-1330 of Code of Virginia. Any regulatory actions necessary to effectuate the requirements of this item are hereby exempted from the provisions of the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq. of the Code of Virginia). The Department of Environmental Quality shall complete such regulatory actions without further action by the State Air Pollution Control Board."

Explanation:

(This amendment requires all agencies take actions necessary for the Commonwealth to rejoin the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative.)

Item 373 #1h

Natural and Historic Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Wildlife Resources	\$795,797	\$0 NGF

Language:

Page 453, line 32, strike "\$0" and insert "\$795,797".

Page 453, line 33, strike "\$19,898,252" and insert "\$20,694,049".

Explanation:

(This amendment increases the transfer from the Game Protection Fund by \$796,000 in fiscal year 2027 to reflect the costs to the Department of Wildlife Resources of providing a two percent compensation increase as proposed in House Bill 30 as introduced. A companion amendment to Part 3 of House Bill 30 makes a corresponding adjustment to the transfer from the general fund to the Game Protection Fund.)

Item 374 #1h

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Natural and Historic Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Historic Resources	\$500,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 454, line 3, strike "\$15,468,942" and insert "\$15,968,942".

Page 456, after line 37, insert:

"P. Out of the amounts in this item, \$500,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the City of Virginia Beach to support the renovations and preservation of the historic Nimmo United Methodist Church."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$500,000 from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 to support renovations and preservation of the historic Nimmo United Methodist Church, a 200-plus year old church used by Union troops as a hospital in their fight against the South.)

Item 374 #2h

Natural and Historic Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Historic Resources	\$250,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 454, line 3, strike "\$15,468,942" and insert "\$15,718,942".

Page 456, after line 37, insert:

"P. Out of the amounts in this item, \$250,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the County of Loudoun to support the construction of the Ethical Leadership Development Center at General George C. Marshall's Dodona Manor."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$250,000 from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 to support construction of a leadership center at General George C. Marshall's Dodona Manor.)

Item 374 #3h

Natural and Historic Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Historic Resources	\$295,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 454, line 3, strike "\$15,468,942" and insert "\$15,763,942".

Page 456, after line 37, insert:

"P. Out of the amounts in this item, \$295,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to

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the County of Giles to support repairs and improvements at the historic Andrew Johnston House."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$295,000 from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 to support repairs at the historic Andrew Johnston House in Giles County.)

Item 374 #4h		
Natural and Historic Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Historic Resources	\$107,800	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 454, line 3, strike "\$15,468,942" and insert "\$15,576,742".

Page 456, after line 37, insert:

"P. Out of the amounts in this item, \$107,800 the first year from the general fund is provided to the County of Tazewell to support repairs and improvements at the historic Pocahontas Fuel building."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$107,800 from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 to support repairs of the Pocahontas Fuel building in Tazewell County.)

Item 374 #5h		
Natural and Historic Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Historic Resources	(\$160,000)	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 454, line 3, strike "\$15,468,942" and insert "\$15,308,942".

Page 456, strike lines 35 through 37.

Explanation:

(This amendment removes \$160,000 from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 included in the introduced budget for a walkway project in Southampton County.)

Item 374 #6h		
Natural and Historic Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Historic Resources	\$160,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 454, line 3, strike "\$15,468,942" and insert "\$15,628,942".

Page 456, after line 37, insert:

"P. Out of the amounts in this item, \$160,000 the first year from the general fund for the County of Arlington to support the September 11th National Memorial Trail Alliance."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$160,000 from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 to support the September 11th National Memorial Trail Alliance.)

Item 374 #7h		
Natural and Historic Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Historic Resources	\$50,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 454, line 3, strike "\$15,468,942" and insert "\$15,518,942".

Page 456, after line 37, insert:

"P. Out of the amounts in this item, \$50,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the City of Richmond to support preservation of the historic Moore Street School."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$50,000 from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 to support preservation of historic Moore Street School in Richmond.)

Item 374 #8h		
Natural and Historic Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Historic Resources	\$1,500,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 454, line 3, strike "\$15,468,942" and insert "\$16,968,942".

Page 456, after line 37, insert:

"P. Out of the amounts in this item, \$1,500,000 the first year general fund is provided to the County of Arlington to support the construction of a visitor education center at the National 9/11 Pentagon Memorial located in Arlington National Cemetery."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$1.5 million from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 to Arlington County to support construction of a visitor education center at the National 9/11 Pentagon

Memorial.)

Item 374 #9h

Natural and Historic Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Historic Resources

\$2,000,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 454, line 3, strike "\$15,468,942" and insert "\$17,468,942".

Page 456, after line 37, insert:

"P. Out of the amounts in this item, \$2,000,000 the first year from the general fund shall be deposited in the Virginia Black, Indigenous, and People of Color Historic Preservation Fund, as established in § 10.1-2202.5, Code of Virginia. Such funds and funding authorized in paragraph M, Item 386, Chapter 1, 2024 Acts of Assembly, Special Session I, may be used for the preservation of historic sites. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 10.1-2202.5 Paragraph F, Code of Virginia, grants from the Fund may be awarded to eligible recipients provided that the grantee provides a perpetual public benefit to be determined by the Director. The Department is authorized to expend up to five percent of the amounts allocated in this Paragraph for costs related to the administration of the Fund."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$2 million from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 to support the BIPOC Historic Preservation Grant Program.)

Item 374 #10h

Natural and Historic Resources

Department of Historic Resources

Language

Language:

Page 454, line 47, after "Virginia." insert:

"The Department is authorized to expend up to five percent of the amounts allocated in this paragraph for costs related to the administration of the Fund."

Page 455, line 3, after "cemeteries." insert:

"The Department is authorized to expend up to five percent of the amounts allocated in this Paragraph for costs related to administration of the program."

Explanation:

(This amendment authorizes the Department of Historical Resources to use up to five percent of the amounts provided for the Virginia Battlefield Preservation Fund and for care of historical African American graves and cemeteries for the costs of administering the programs.)

Item 374 #11h

Natural and Historic Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Historic Resources	\$500,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 454, line 3, strike "\$15,468,942" and insert "\$15,968,942".

Page 456, after line 37, insert:

"P. Out of the amounts in this item, \$500,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the County of Fairfax to support the installation of temporary heating and cooling equipment at the historic Fairfax Courthouse building."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$500,000 from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 for the installation of temporary HVAC equipment at the historic Fairfax Courthouse.)

Item 374 #12h

Natural and Historic Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Historic Resources	\$2,500,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 454, line 3, strike "\$15,468,942" and insert "\$17,968,942".

Page 456, after line 37, insert:

"P. Out of the amounts in this item, \$2,500,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the County of Botetourt to support project costs related to Fincastle Museum."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$2.5 million from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 to support Botetourt County's Fincastle Museum project.)

Item 376 #1h

Natural and Historic Resources	FY26-27	FY27-28
Marine Resources Commission	\$109,448 1.00	\$109,448 GF 1.00 FTE

Language:

Page 457, line 6, strike "\$28,018,943" and insert "\$28,128,391".

Page 457, line 6, strike "\$28,018,943" and insert "\$28,128,391".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$109,000 from the general fund each year and one position pursuant to House Bill 52, which directs the Marine Resources Commission to promote the beneficial uses of dredged material.)

Item 376 #2h

Natural and Historic Resources

Marine Resources Commission

Language

Language:

Page 458, after line 25, insert:

"I.1. For purposes of this Item 376, Section I, "Phase I" means the following drawings: (i) "Norfolk CSRM State-Owned Bottom and Right-of-Way Map," Map Number – 68 Phase IA, dated October 8, 2025, prepared by TKY; (ii) Drawing entitled "Grandy Village Living Shoreline Preliminary Bottom Impacts WSSI #36556.01," Exhibit 1, prepared by Wetland Studies and Solutions, Inc., a Davey Company; (iii) Drawing entitled "Richmond and Surrey Crescent Shoreline State Bottom Impacts"; (iv) "Wetlands Impact Analysis Phase 1A-WS-1," Map: Wetlands Impact Analysis (JPA), dated August 28, 2025, revised January 15, 2026, developed by JAO; (v) "Wetlands Impact Analysis Phase 1A-WS-2," Map: Wetlands Impact Analysis (JPA), dated August 28, 2025, revised January 15, 2026, developed by JAO; (vi) "Wetlands Impact Analysis Phase 1A-PS-HP1," Map: Wetlands Impact Analysis (JPA), dated August 28, 2025, revised January 15, 2026, developed by JAO; (vii) "Wetlands Impact Analysis Phase 1A-FD-1," Map: Wetlands Impact Analysis (JPA)DDwithExcludedPermitAreaTable, dated August 28, 2025, revised January 22, 2026, developed by JAO; (viii) "Wetlands Impact Analysis Phase 1A-HP," Map: Wetlands Impact Analysis (JPA)DDwithExcludedPermitAreaTable, dated August 28, 2025, revised January 27, 2026, developed by JAO; (ix) "Wetlands Impact Analysis Phase 1A-RR-1," Map: Wetlands Impact Analysis (JPA), dated August 28, 2025, revised January 15, 2026, developed by JAO; (x) "Wetlands Impact Analysis Phase 1A-PS-NC-1," Map: Wetlands Impact Analysis (JPA), dated August 28, 2025, revised January 15, 2026, developed by JAO; (xi) "Wetlands Impact Analysis Phase 1A-Sub-1," Map: Wetlands Impact Analysis (JPA), dated August 28, 2025, revised January 15, 2026, developed by JAO; (xii) "Wetlands Impact Analysis Phase 1A-Sub-2," Map: Wetlands Impact Analysis (JPA), dated August 28, 2025, revised January 15, 2026, developed by JAO; and (xiii) "Wetlands Impact Analysis Phase No Impact," Map: Wetlands Impact Analysis (JPA), dated August 28, 2025, revised January 15, 2026, developed by JAO.

2. That, in consideration of the mutual promises of the parties and the payment of \$1, and on terms otherwise acceptable to the Marine Resources Commission (the Commission), the Commission is hereby authorized to convey to the City of Norfolk, in locations acceptable to

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the Commission, the following real property interests in subaqueous land that are necessary for Phase I, as generally shown on the Phase I drawings: permanent easement interests; temporary construction easements; and fee simple interests, pursuant to quitclaims.

3. That, in consideration of the mutual promises of the parties and the payment of \$1, and on terms otherwise acceptable to the Commission, the Commission is hereby authorized to quitclaim to the City any interest that the Commonwealth may have in and to the property known as Newton Canal, a/k/a Mahone's Canal, a/k/a Brambleton Canal, which property is located within the boundaries of City of Norfolk GPIN 1437339770.

4. That the conveyances authorized herein shall be made in consultation with the Chief Resilience Officer of the Commonwealth and the Office of the Attorney General. The conveyances authorized herein shall be approved by the Governor and made in a form approved by the Office of the Attorney General. The appropriate officials of the Commonwealth are hereby authorized to prepare, execute, and deliver such deeds and other documents as may be necessary to accomplish the conveyances.

5. The General Assembly deems that the conveyances of the property interests, set forth in this Item 376, Section I, may be undertaken without substantial impairment of the interest of the public in the waters of the Commonwealth."

Explanation:

(This amendment authorizes the Marine Resources Commission to convey certain easements to the City of Norfolk to support Coastal Storm Risk Management project-related activities.)

Item 380 #1h

Public Safety and Homeland Security

FY26-27

FY27-28

Secretary of Public Safety and
Homeland Security

\$150,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 460, line 3, strike "\$958,120" and insert "\$1,108,120".

Page 460, after line 23, insert:

"C. Out of the amounts in this item, \$150,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to support the work group established pursuant to House Bill 169 of the 2026 Session of the General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$150,000 the first year from the general fund to support the work group established to evaluate emergency management needs in Virginia pursuant to House Bill 169.)

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Item 386 #1h

Public Safety and Homeland Security	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Corrections	\$954,992	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 463, line 30, strike "\$284,851" and insert "\$1,239,843".

Page 463, after line 41, insert:

"Western Tidewater Regional Jail - Upgrade Project \$954,992".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$952,992 from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 for the 25 percent state share of one-time capital funding for improvements at Western Tidewater Regional Jail. This project was approved by the Board of Local and Regional Jails.)

Item 386 #2h

Public Safety and Homeland Security	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Corrections	\$279,827	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 463, line 30, strike "\$284,851" and insert "\$564,678".

Page 463, after line 41, insert:

"Prince William-Manassas Regional Adult Detention Center - Upgrade Project \$279,827".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$279,827 from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 for the 25 percent state share of one-time capital funding for improvements at Prince William-Manassas Regional Adult Detention Center. This project was approved by the Board of Local and Regional Jails.)

Item 388 #1h

Public Safety and Homeland Security	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Corrections	\$256,253	\$256,253 GF

Language:

Page 464, line 15, strike "\$941,699,456" and insert "\$941,955,709".

Page 464, line 15, strike "\$941,699,456" and insert "\$941,955,709".

Explanation:

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(This amendment provides \$256,000 from the general fund each year pursuant to House Bill 35, which establishes new standards and restrictions related to the use of isolated confinement in state correctional facilities.)

Item 390 #1h

Public Safety and Homeland Security

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Corrections

\$1,150,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 466, line 51, strike "\$208,907,340" and insert "\$210,057,340".

Page 468, after line 48, insert:

"O. Included in the appropriation for this item is \$1,150,000 the first year from the general fund for the estimated net increase in the operating cost of adult correctional facilities resulting from the enactment of sentencing legislation as listed below. This amount shall be paid into the Corrections Special Reserve Fund, established pursuant to § 30-19.1:4, Code of Virginia.

1. House Bill 19 -- \$50,000
2. House Bill 40 -- \$50,000
3. House Bill 124 -- \$50,000
4. House Bill 161 -- \$50,000
5. House Bill 212 -- \$50,000
6. House Bill 217 -- \$50,000
7. House Bill 229 -- \$50,000
8. House Bill 238 -- \$50,000
9. House Bill 250 -- \$50,000
10. House Bill 294 -- \$50,000
11. House Bill 317 -- \$50,000
12. House Bill 548 -- \$50,000
13. House Bill 626 -- \$50,000
14. House Bill 629 -- \$50,000
15. House Bill 642 -- \$50,000
16. House Bill 662 -- \$50,000
17. House Bill 1015 -- \$50,000
18. House Bill 1103 -- \$50,000
19. House Bill 1272 -- \$50,000
20. House Bill 1414 -- \$50,000
21. House Bill 1492 -- \$50,000
22. House Bill 1524 -- \$50,000
23. House Bill 1525 -- \$50,000".

Explanation:

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(This amendment provides \$1.2 million from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 for deposit in the Corrections Special Reserve Fund to reflect the indeterminate correctional bedspace impact of legislation affecting criminal sentencing adopted by the 2026 Session of the General Assembly.)

Item 390 #2h

Public Safety and Homeland Security	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Corrections	\$41,000	\$76,000	GF

Language:

Page 466, line 51, strike "\$208,907,340" and insert "\$208,948,340".

Page 466, line 51, strike "\$208,907,340" and insert "\$208,983,340".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$41,000 the first year and \$76,000 the second year from the general fund pursuant to House Bill 861, which directs the Board of Local and Regional Jail to convene a work group to review and make recommendations related to standards and regulations for pregnant and post-partum incarcerated persons.)

Item 390 #3h

Public Safety and Homeland Security	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Corrections	\$1,193,759	\$1,042,648	GF

Language:

Page 466, line 51, strike "\$208,907,340" and insert "\$210,101,099".

Page 466, line 51, strike "\$208,907,340" and insert "\$209,949,988".

Page 468, after line 48, insert:

"O. Out of the amounts in this item, \$1,193,759 the first year and \$1,042,648 the second year from the general fund for the purchase of body worn cameras and related technology for deployment at Red Onion State Prison and Wallens Ridge State Prison."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$1.2 million from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 and \$1.0 million from the general fund in fiscal year 2028 for the purchase and deployment of body worn cameras and associated technology at Red Onion State Prison and Wallens Ridge State Prison.)

Item 390 #4h

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Public Safety and Homeland Security	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Corrections	\$151,627	\$75,814 GF

Language:

Page 466, line 51, strike "\$208,907,340" and insert "\$209,058,967".

Page 466, line 51, strike "\$208,907,340" and insert "\$208,983,154".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$152,000 the first year and \$76,000 the second year from the general fund pursuant to House Bill 16, which permits individuals to discharge portions of their courts fines or costs by performing community service.)

Item 390 #5h

Public Safety and Homeland Security	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Corrections	\$755,547	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 466, line 51, strike "\$208,907,340" and insert "\$209,662,887".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$756,000 the first year from the general fund to make changes to the Department of Correction's CORIS system as required pursuant to House Bill 361, which provides that individuals may receive earned sentence credits for time spent incarcerated while awaiting trial or pending appeal.)

Item 390 #6h

Public Safety and Homeland Security	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Corrections	\$151,627	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 466, line 51, strike "\$208,907,340" and insert "\$209,058,967".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$152,000 the first year from the general fund pursuant to House Bill 26, which establishes a process by which persons convicted of certain felony offenses related to marijuana can receive an automatic hearing to consider modification of such persons' sentence.)

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Item 391 #1h

Public Safety and Homeland Security	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Criminal Justice	\$137,804	\$137,804	GF
Services	1.00	1.00	FTE

Language:

Page 469, line 4, strike "\$6,193,054" and insert "\$6,330,858".

Page 469, line 4, strike "\$6,193,054" and insert "\$6,330,858".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$138,000 each year from the general fund and one position to support the Substantial Risk Order Training Program, pursuant to House Bill 896.)

Item 391 #2h

Public Safety and Homeland Security	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Criminal Justice	\$125,124	\$125,124	GF
Services	1.00	1.00	FTE

Language:

Page 469, line 4, strike "\$6,193,054" and insert "\$6,318,178".

Page 469, line 4, strike "\$6,193,054" and insert "\$6,318,178".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$125,000 each year from the general fund and one position pursuant to House Bill 1219.)

Item 392 #1h

Public Safety and Homeland Security	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Criminal Justice	\$107,846	\$41,865	GF
Services			

Language:

Page 470, line 17, strike "\$3,805,987" and insert "\$3,913,833".

Page 470, line 17, strike "\$3,405,987" and insert "\$3,447,852".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$108,000 the first year and \$42,000 the second year from the general fund pursuant to House Bill 1464.)

Item 394 #1h

Public Safety and Homeland Security

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Criminal Justice
Services

\$2,385,000

\$2,385,000

GF

Language:

Page 471, line 8, strike "\$233,685,032" and insert "\$236,070,032".

Page 471, line 8, strike "\$231,685,032" and insert "\$234,070,032".

Page 472, line 5, strike "\$1,615,000" and insert "\$4,000,000".

Page 472, line 6, strike "\$1,615,000" and insert "\$4,000,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides an additional \$2.4 million from the general fund each year to increase annual support for Court Appointed Special Advocates to a total of \$4 million from the general fund each year. The additional funding would allow waiting lists to be reduced and for the expansion of advocate services to abused and neglected children.)

Item 394 #2h

Public Safety and Homeland Security

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Criminal Justice
Services

\$6,000,000

\$6,000,000

GF

Language:

Page 471, line 8, strike "\$233,685,032" and insert "\$239,685,032".

Page 471, line 8, strike "\$231,685,032" and insert "\$237,685,032".

Page 474, line 6, strike "\$10,068,114" and insert "\$16,068,114".

Page 474, line 7, strike "\$10,068,114" and insert "\$16,068,114".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides an additional \$6 million from the general fund each year to distribute as grants to local sexual assault and domestic violence programs to provide essential services to victims of sexual and domestic violence. The additional funding will offset reductions in federal Victims of Crime Act funding.)

Item 394 #3h

Public Safety and Homeland Security

FY26-27

FY27-28

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Department of Criminal Justice
Services

\$50,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 471, line 8, strike "\$233,685,032" and insert "\$233,735,032".

Page 478, after line 27, insert:

"Y. Included in the appropriation for this item is \$50,000 the first year from the general fund provided to the County of Arlington to support the Arlington Community Foundation's Gun Violence Prevention Fund to be used for a gun buy back event."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$50,000 from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 to Arlington County to support a gun buy back event.)

Item 394 #4h

Public Safety and Homeland Security

Department of Criminal Justice Services

Language

Language:

Page 475, strike lines 41 through 57.

Page 476, strike 1 through 9.

Page 476, line 10, strike "3." and insert "2."

Page 476, line 13, strike "4.a." and insert "3.a."

Page 476, line 13, strike "\$14,000,000" and "\$14,000,000" and insert:
"\$24,000,000" and "\$24,000,000".

Page 476, line 20, strike "\$13,000,000" and insert "\$23,000,000".

Page 476, line 21, strike "\$13,000,000" and insert "\$23,000,000".

Page 476, line 22, after "Roanoke," insert:

"the City of Danville, the City of Hampton, the City of Hopewell, the City of Newport News, the City of Petersburg,".

Page 476, line 23, strike "four" and insert "nine".

Explanation:

(This amendment increases support for the Safer Communities Program by \$10 million each year from the general fund, and expands the list of eligible localities to include the Cities of Danville, Hampton, Hopewell, Newport News, and Petersburg. These localities would join the already eligible Cities of Norfolk, Portsmouth, Roanoke, and Richmond. With this expansion in eligibility, the nine Virginia localities with the highest rates of firearm-related violence in the Commonwealth will be eligible for the Safer Communities Program. The amendment also removes language authorizing the Operation Ceasefire Grant Fund and associated appropriations of \$10 million each year from the general fund.)

Item 394 #5h

Public Safety and Homeland Security

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Criminal Justice
Services

\$0

(\$4,500,000) GF

Language:

Page 471, line 8, strike "\$231,685,032" and insert "\$227,185,032".

Page 473, line 20, strike the second "\$20,362,525" and insert "\$15,862,525".

Explanation:

(This amendment reduces the second year amount provided for School Resource Officer Incentive Grant Fund by \$4.5 million, providing a total of \$15.9 million for grants in fiscal year 2028. This reflects \$11.9 million in pre-existing commitments in fiscal year 2028, allowing for an additional \$4 million in new grant commitments to be supported in the second year.)

Item 394 #6h

Public Safety and Homeland Security

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Criminal Justice
Services

(\$2,000,000)

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 471, line 8, strike "\$233,685,032" and insert "\$231,685,032".

Page 478, strike lines 17 through 27.

Explanation:

(This amendment removes \$2.0 million the first year from the general fund proposed to implement a one-time reimbursement grant program for emergency custody order or temporary detention order transportation services provided by local law enforcement agencies.)

Item 394 #7h

Public Safety and Homeland Security

Department of Criminal Justice Services

Language

Language:

Page 477, line 12, after "crimes," strike the remainder of line.

Page 477, line 12, after "crimes," insert:

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"localities applying on behalf of or in partnership with such institutions or nonprofit organizations, and regional, multi-jurisdictional, or nonprofit entities, including planning district commissions, councils of governments, or nonprofit intermediaries, that provide security, training, technical assistance, or coordinated services to institutions or nonprofit organizations at risk of hate crimes."

Page 477, line 13, strike:

"engaged in partnership programs with such institutions or nonprofit organizations."

Page 477, line 15, strike "a biennial or" and insert "one".

Page 477, line 15, after "guidelines." insert:

"The Department may issue additional funding rounds as resources and conditions warrant."

Page 477, line 16, strike "need for the grant" and insert:

"demonstrated or anticipated risk".

Page 477, line 18, after "crimes" strike remainder of line and insert:

"Funding provided in this item may be awarded directly to an eligible grant recipient or, where appropriate, to a locality or regional entity servicing as a fiscal agent for distribution to the grant recipient, and shall not be used to supplant any other funding provided by localities to combat hate crimes. In awarding grants, the Department shall seek to ensure that funding is distributed equitably across the Commonwealth, including consideration of geographic diversity, population density, and planning district regions. In periods of heightened threat, credible risk, or following a significant hate-motivated incident, the Department is authorized to implement an expedited application and award process, including shortened timelines and accelerated fund disbursement, consistent with grant guidelines."

Page 477, strike lines 19 and 20.

Explanation:

(This amendment makes changes to administration of the existing Combating Hate Crimes Grant program administered by the Department of Criminal Justice Services.)

Item 394 #8h

Public Safety and Homeland Security	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Criminal Justice Services	\$6,200,000	\$0 NGF

Language:

Page 471, line 8, strike "\$233,685,032" and insert "\$239,885,032".

Page 473, line 37, after "emergency." insert:

"Out of nongeneral fund cash balances in the School Resource Officer Incentive Grants Fund, up to \$6,200,000 the first year, dependent on grant applications, is designated for this purpose."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs \$6.2 million from the nongeneral fund the first year from unobligated

nongeneral fund cash balances in the School Resource Officer Incentive Grants Fund to support a digital mapping program for Virginia public universities and community colleges.)

Item 394 #9h

Public Safety and Homeland Security

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Criminal Justice
Services

\$2,000,000

\$0 NGF

Language:

Page 471, line 8, strike "\$233,685,032" and insert "\$235,685,032".

Page 478, after line 27, insert:

"Y. Included in the appropriation for this item is \$2,000,000 the first year from the Commonwealth Opioid Abatement and Remediation Fund for deposit in the Jail-Based Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Transition Fund."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides for the transfer of \$2 million the first year from the from the Commonwealth Opioid Abatement and Remediation Fund to the Jail-Based Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Transition Fund. This amendment is a recommendation of the Joint Commission on Health Care.)

Item 394 #10h

Public Safety and Homeland Security

Department of Criminal Justice Services

Language

Language:

Page 472, strike lines 36 through 40.

Page 474, after line 32, insert:

"J.1. Included in the appropriation for this item is \$2,153,600 the first year and \$2,153,600 the second year from the general fund to support a Jail Mental Health Grant Program administered by the Department.

2. The Department shall establish grant guidelines for eligible programs and identify grantees in consultation with the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.

3. The funding provided to each grantee shall supplement, not supplant, existing local spending on such services.

4. The Department shall collect on a quarterly basis qualitative and quantitative data from each of the sites, to include: (i) mental health screenings and assessments provided to inmates, (ii)

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mental health treatment plans and services provided to inmates, (iii) jail safety incidents involving inmates and jail staff, (iv) the provision of appropriate services after release, (v) the number of inmates re-arrested or re-incarcerated within 90 days after release following a positive identification for mental health disorders in jail or the receipt of mental health treatment within the facility. The Department shall provide a report on its findings to the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees no later than December 15th of each year.

5. The Department is authorized to expend up to five percent per year out of the amounts allocated in Paragraph J.1. of this item for costs related to the administration of the Jail Mental Health Grant Program."

Page 474, strike lines 33 through 51.

Explanation:

(This amendment consolidates existing jail-based mental health grant programs into a singular Jail Mental Health Grant Program administered by the Department of Criminal Justice Services.)

			Item 398 #1h
Public Safety and Homeland Security	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Emergency Management	(\$424,000)	(\$288,000)	GF

Language:

Page 480, line 2, strike "\$33,133,556" and insert "\$32,709,556".

Page 480, line 2, strike "\$33,162,078" and insert "\$32,874,078".

Explanation:

(This amendment removes \$424,000 the first year and \$288,000 the second year from the general fund proposed to support a request for proposals for emergency communications equipment for rural areas. This amendment preserves language directing the Department of Emergency Management to issue the specified request for proposals.)

			Item 399 #1h
Public Safety and Homeland Security	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of Emergency Management	(\$1,826,756)	(\$3,780,998)	GF

Language:

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Page 481, line 3, strike "\$66,722,676" and insert "\$64,895,920".

Page 481, line 3, strike "\$33,722,676" and insert "\$29,941,678".

Page 482, after line 5, insert:

"F. Included in the appropriation for this item is \$2,293,082 the first year and \$2,338,840 the second year from the general fund to offset the reductions in the amounts provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency to the National Capital Region through the Urban Areas Security Initiative Grant.

G. Included in the appropriation for this item is \$880,162 the first year and \$880,162 the second year from the general fund to offset reductions in the federal Emergency Management Performance Grant."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$3.2 million each year from the general fund to offset reductions in federal grants award for the National Capital Region Urban Areas Security Initiative and the Emergency Management Performance Grant programs. The introduced budget included \$5 million the first year and \$7 million the second year for unspecified changes to federal emergency management grant awards. House Bill 169 directs the Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security to establish a workgroup to evaluate state and local emergency management needs in the Commonwealth, including evaluating potential changes in federal emergency management policy and funding.)

Item 399 #2h

Public Safety and Homeland Security

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Emergency
Management

(\$35,000,000)

\$0 NGF

Language:

Page 481, line 3, strike "\$66,722,676" and insert "\$31,722,676".

Page 481, strike lines 51 through 54.

Page 482, strike lines 1 through 5.

Explanation:

(This amendment removes language proposed in the introduced budget to establish the Cardinal Disaster Relief Fund using \$35 million from the balances of RGGI proceeds.)

Item 405 #1h

Public Safety and Homeland Security

FY26-27

FY27-28

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Department of Fire Programs	\$188,100	\$0	GF
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Language:

Page 485, line 20, strike "\$11,905,518" and insert "\$12,093,618".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$188,000 the first year from the general fund to support the development of standardized mental health awareness training for firefighters consistent with the provisions of House Bill 325.)

Item 406 #1h

Public Safety and Homeland Security

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Fire Programs

\$2,000,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 485, line 45, strike "\$53,707,527" and insert "\$55,707,527".

Page 486, after line 18, insert:

"B. Out of the appropriation provided in this item, \$2,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided for deposit into the First Responders Cancer Screening Fund created pursuant to the passage of House Bill 393 of the 2026 General Assembly Session."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$2.0 million from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 for deposit into the First Responders Cancer Screening Fund which was created pursuant to the passage of House Bill 393 of the 2026 General Assembly session.)

Item 415 #1h

Public Safety and Homeland Security

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of State Police

\$51,288

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 492, line 17, strike "\$135,665,872" and insert "\$135,717,160".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$51,000 the first year from the general fund to make required changes to the Firearm Purchase Background Check System pursuant to House Bill 19 and House Bill 1015.)

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Item 415 #2h

Public Safety and Homeland Security	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of State Police	\$94,800	\$47,400	GF

Language:

Page 492, line 17, strike "\$135,665,872" and insert "\$135,760,672".

Page 492, line 17, strike "\$135,661,900" and insert "\$135,709,300".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$95,000 the first year and \$47,000 the second year from the general fund for the Department of State Police to establish a Substantial Risk Order Reporting System as required by the provisions of House Bill 1096.)

Item 415 #3h

Public Safety and Homeland Security	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of State Police	\$165,000	\$33,000	GF

Language:

Page 492, line 17, strike "\$135,665,872" and insert "\$135,830,872".

Page 492, line 17, strike "\$135,661,900" and insert "\$135,694,900".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$165,000 the first year and \$33,000 the second year to support Department of State Police system changes required pursuant to House Bill 964.)

Item 415 #4h

Public Safety and Homeland Security	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Department of State Police	\$211,245 2.00	\$199,510 2.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 492, line 17, strike "\$135,665,872" and insert "\$135,877,117".

Page 492, line 17, strike "\$135,661,900" and insert "\$135,861,410".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$211,000 the first year and \$200,000 the second year from the general fund and two positions pursuant to House Bill 642, which establishes an adult use

recreational cannabis market.)

Item 416 #1h

Public Safety and Homeland Security

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of State Police

(\$11,755,825)

(\$2,870,275) GF

Language:

Page 494, line 46, strike "\$449,184,302" and insert "\$437,428,477".

Page 494, line 46, strike "\$457,795,127" and insert "\$454,924,852".

Page 496, after line 37, insert:

"T.1. The Department shall submit information related to its projected budget deficit to the Director, Department of Planning and Budget, and the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees, including, for each fiscal year from fiscal year 2020 through fiscal year 2025: (i) a comparison of appropriations and expenditures categorized by payroll and non-payroll, including fund source; (ii) the number and rate of vacancies, noting the denominator used to calculate the vacancy rate; (iii) the average salary at the Department, categorized by sworn and civilian positions, and total amounts spent pursuant to the Workforce Transition Act; and (iv) the estimated vacancy savings, including the methodology used to calculate such savings. The Department shall submit the information required by this subparagraph no later than October 1, 2026.

2. Beginning July 1, 2026, the Department shall meet quarterly with the Director of the Department of Planning and Budget, or his designee, the Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security, or his designee, and the Staff Directors of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees, or their designees, to provide updates that include the following information for the current fiscal year to date: (i) for each paragraph in the appropriation act that designates funding for a specific purpose, a detailed description of how the amounts are being spent; (ii) estimated vacancy savings, including the methodology used to calculate such vacancy savings; (iii) hours and amounts spent on overtime, categorized by type of event; (iv) amounts spent pursuant to the Workforce Transition Act; and (v) any remaining projected budget deficit, including actions identified to address the budget deficit, if applicable.

3. From the amounts in this item, the Department shall contract with an independent entity to conduct a comprehensive audit of the Department's budget, identify the causes for the budget deficit for fiscal years 2026 through 2028, that was identified in fall 2025, and recommend actions for improving budget execution, internal cost controls, and organizational structure. Based upon the result of the audit, the Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security, in consultation with the Secretary of Finance, Department of State Police, and the Department of Planning and Budget, shall submit a report describing the actions the Department plans to undertake to avoid future budget deficits to the Governor and the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees no later than November 1, 2026.

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4. The Department may not take any action that changes the agency's pay structure, including, but not limited to, increasing compensation for a category of employees, without the approval of the Director, Department of Planning and Budget, who, before approving the requested compensation increase, shall (i) certify that the Department has sufficient funding in its ongoing appropriations to accommodate the salary increase; and (ii) notify the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees.

5. The 146th Basic Session shall commence on or after October 1, 2027."

Explanation:

(This amendment establishes financial reporting requirements for the Department of State Police, relating to the Department's unanticipated projected operating budget deficit. The reporting requirements require detail on the Department's historical levels of expenditures, personnel, compensation, and vacancy savings, and requires the Department to meet quarterly with specified individuals to detail year-to-date spending beginning July 1, 2026. The amendment also requires the Department to contract with an independent entity to conduct a comprehensive audit of the Department's budget, and for the Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security to submit a report detail audit findings and recommendations for future actions no later than November 1, 2026. The amendment further restricts the Department's authority to alter its pay structure without prior approval of the Director of the Department of Planning and Budget, and delays the commencement of the 146th Basic Session by six months, until October 1, 2027.)

Item 419 #1h			
Public Safety and Homeland Security	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Virginia Parole Board	\$0	\$1,601,000	GF
	0.00	11.00	FTE

Language:

Page 497, line 49, strike "\$3,072,807" and insert "\$4,673,807".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$1.6 million the second year from the general fund and 11 positions pursuant to House Bill 318, which among several changes to the parole process expands maximum membership of the Parole Board from 5 to 11. The bill has a delayed effective date of July 1, 2027.)

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Public Safety and Homeland Security	FY26-27	FY27-28

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Virginia Parole Board

\$167,104

\$167,104 GF

Language:

Page 497, line 49, strike "\$3,072,807" and insert "\$3,239,911".

Page 497, line 49, strike "\$3,072,807" and insert "\$3,239,911".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$167,000 each year from the general fund pursuant to House Bill 193, which provides eligible for parole consideration for certain individuals convicted of offenses following the Fishback v. Commonwealth decision in 2000.)

Item 420 #1h

Transportation

Secretary of Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 501, after line 46, insert:

"M. The Secretary of Transportation, in coordination with the Secretary of Commerce and Trade and the Department of Energy, shall identify any available federal funds eligible to assist in the development of rural electric vehicle charging infrastructure in the Commonwealth. If such federal funds are available, the appropriate agency shall submit an application for Virginia to receive funding and any such application shall reflect a priority for installing public electric vehicle infrastructure in rural and localities without such infrastructure. If such federal funds are received via a formula grant, the appropriate Secretary shall ensure a priority is placed on installing public electric vehicle infrastructure in rural and localities without such infrastructure. The Secretary shall notify the Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee and the House Appropriations Committee on or before December 31, 2026, on: (i) funding received as a result of this paragraph; (ii) the rural and underserved areas without public charging infrastructure; and (iii) total state funding needed to install sufficient public charging infrastructure in rural and underserved communities."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs the Secretary of Transportation to identify federal funds to support the deployment of rural electric vehicle charging infrastructure in the state of Virginia.)

Item 420 #2h

Transportation

Secretary of Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 501, after line 46, insert:

"M. The Secretary of Transportation is directed to study and evaluate options for accelerating large-scale improvements to the Interstate 81 corridor. Such analysis shall include assessing the feasibility of utilizing public-private partnership pursuant to the Public Private Transportation Act, including those options with toll financing, provided that any such analysis assumes there shall be two toll-free in each direction available for continued use on Interstate 81. The Secretary shall report to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Committee, the Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee, and the House and Senate Transportation Committees by December 15, 2026 on the options identified."

Explanation:

(This amendment requires the Secretary of Transportation to evaluate options to accelerate the projects included in the Interstate 81 Corridor Improvement Program and report to the General Assembly on the options identified.)

Item 420 #3h

Transportation

Secretary of Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 501, after line 46, insert:

"M. The Office of the Secretary shall work with their counterparts in the District of Columbia and Maryland to review issues related to ticket reciprocity and registering vehicles for out-of-state residents. The review shall include examining how ticketing reciprocity is handled for tickets issued to Virginia drivers by the District of Columbia through automated ticket enforcement and options for how Virginia could enter reciprocity agreements for automated tickets.

The Secretary shall report to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Committee, the Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee, and the House and Senate Transportation Committees by December 1, 2026 on any actions or recommendations."

Explanation:

(This amendment requires the Office of the Secretary of Transportation to work with its counterparts in the District of Columbia and Maryland to review the issues related to ticket reciprocity and registering vehicles for out-of-state residents.)

Item 422 #1h

Transportation

Department of Aviation

Language

Language:

Page 503, after line 10, insert:

"G. Out of the appropriation for the Commonwealth Development Opportunity Fund, as established in § 2.2-115, Code of Virginia and provided in Item 101 Paragraph A. of this act, \$1,000,000 the first year year shall be transferred to this item to support the continued development of Advanced Air Aviation Test Sites. The Department shall utilize the funds to expand current test site programs to support Advanced Air Mobility enablement in the Commonwealth. The Department shall report to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Committee, the Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee, and the House and Senate Transportation Committees by December 1, 2026 detailing the expenditures and progress that have been made concerning Advanced Air Mobility and recommendations for the future."

Explanation:

(This amendment transfers \$1.0 million in fiscal year 2027 from the Commonwealth Development Opportunity Fund to the Department of Aviation to support the continued development of Advanced Air Aviation Test Sites.)

Item 433 #1h

Transportation

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Rail and Public
Transportation

\$300,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 508, line 9, strike "\$862,932,848" and insert "\$863,232,848".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$300,000 general fund to support the work of the joint 13-member subcommittee established pursuant to the passage of House Joint Resolution 28 for a one-year study concerning the current status of public transit in Hampton Roads and options for the future.)

Item 433 #2h

Transportation

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Rail and Public
Transportation

\$153,000,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 508, line 9, strike "\$862,932,848" and insert "\$1,015,932,848".

Page 509, after line 26, insert:

"F. Out of the amounts included in this item, \$153,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided for the state share of additional operating assistance for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority throughout the biennium. The unexpended appropriation at the end of the first year shall not revert but shall be carried forward into the second year. The provisions of Virginia Code § 33.2-1526.1 (K) are temporarily suspended for fiscal years 2027 and 2028. This section of Code shall resume in fiscal year 2029. This Code change provides a two-year suspension of the requirement that limits the annual Virginia operating assistance for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority to no more than three percent over the prior year's approved budget."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$153.0 million general fund to provide the state share of the increased operating support for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority over the two year biennium.)

Item 433 #3h

Transportation

Department of Rail and Public Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 509, after line 26, insert:

"F. Of the amounts in the Transportation Partnership Opportunity Fund, up to \$10,000,000 the first year is provided to support the demolition of a parking garage at the Huntington Metrorail Station. The funding is contingent on the commitment of local or regional resources sufficient to complete the demolition."

Explanation:

(This amendment commits \$10,000,000 from the Transportation Partnership Opportunity Fund in the first year to support the demolition of a parking garage at the Huntington Metrorail Station.)

Item 435 #1h

Transportation

Department of Rail and Public Transportation

Language

Language:

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Page 510, after line 7, insert:

"C. The Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation, with the assistance from the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development, shall conduct a statewide review to plan, promote, and identify funding opportunities for transit-oriented development around existing and proposed transit and rail stations. The review also will include an analysis of potential barriers to housing production and economic development. The Department shall submit the results of the review to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 15, 2026."

Explanation:

(This amendment requires DRPT along with DHCD to perform a statewide review to identify opportunities for transit-oriented development around existing and proposed transit and rail stations.)

Item 435 #2h

Transportation

Department of Rail and Public Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 510, after line 7, insert:

"C. The Department of Rail and Public Transportation may use funds from the reserve balance pursuant to subsection F of 33.2-1526.1 to provide short-term loans to transit providers who receive 5310 and 5311 funding due to a delay in receipt of that funding because of a federal government shutdown. The Department shall provide a short-term loan to the transit entity limited to the amount approved in the Six-Year Improvement Program. Within 60 days of executing the federal award, the Department shall request reimbursement from the federal government to replenish the reserve balance."

Explanation:

(This amendment allows DRPT to use reserves from the Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund to provide short -term loans to transit entities to fill in for federal 5310 funds, Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities grants, and federal 5311 funds, Formula Grants for Rural Areas program, if these funds are cut off due to a federal shutdown.)

Item 437 #1h

Transportation

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Transportation

\$50,000

\$50,000 NGF

Language:

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Page 510, line 25, strike "\$118,186,968" and insert "\$118,236,968".

Page 510, line 25, strike "\$121,422,509" and insert "\$121,472,509".

Page 510, line 33, strike "\$7,231,000" and insert "\$7,281,000".

Page 510, line 33, strike "\$7,419,006" and insert "\$7,469,006".

Page 510, line 35, after "needs." insert:

"Included in the amounts in this item, \$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the second year from the allocation for the Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment is provided for sponsorship of the annual Public Policy Day (formerly Mobility Talks International) at the Washington, DC Auto Show."

Explanation:

(This amendment restores the support for the annual Public Policy Day conference.)

Item 438 #1h

Transportation

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Transportation

\$7,000,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 510, line 48, strike "\$4,157,329,117" and insert "\$4,164,329,117".

Page 512, after line 51, insert:

"L. Out of this appropriation, \$7,000,000 the first year from the general fund shall be provided for the Route 460 Phase IIA Finish Grade Project."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$7.0 million from the general fund the first year for the Route 460 Phase IIA Finish Grade Project.)

Item 438 #2h

Transportation

Department of Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 512, line 37, strike "\$20.0 million" and insert "\$10.0 million".

Page 512, line 39, strike "\$50.0 million" and insert "\$25.0 million".

Page 512, line 40, after "Virginia" strike ", and the" and insert:

". The Governor shall notify each member of the MEI Project Approval Commission and Commission staff of any proposed direction of funds requiring review. The".

Page 512, line 41, strike "21 days" and insert:

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"30 business days".

Page 512, line 41, strike "submission" and insert:
"receipt of notification".

Page 512, line 42, strike "21" and insert "30".

Page 512, line 43, strike "21" and insert "30".

Page 512, line 43, after "directed." insert:

"The guidelines developed pursuant to § 33.2-1529.1(E), Code of Virginia shall be revised to reflect the requirements of these provisions."

Explanation:

(This amendment updates language related to the use of the Transportation Partnership Opportunity Fund (TPOF) for economic development. The language clarifies how the Virginia Department of Transportation should provide notice to the members and staff of the MEI Commission on the proposed use of TPOF resources, and extends the duration of the MEI Commission's review.)

Item 441 #1h

Transportation

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Transportation

(\$24,000,000)

(\$24,000,000) GF

Language:

Page 513, line 21, strike "\$167,663,377" and insert "\$143,663,377".

Page 513, line 21, strike "\$157,053,991" and insert "\$133,053,991".

Page 513, strike lines 32 through 33.

Page 513, line 34, strike "providing" and insert:

"C.1. The Department shall continue to provide."

Page 514, strike lines 26 through 36 and insert:

"8. The funds provided in paragraph C.1. of this item, to the extent available, may be used to supplement the original "ERC Toll Relief program" administered by the Department and funded by ERC. The Department shall administer the program in a manner to fully utilize ERC's annual contribution per Amendment 9 of the Comprehensive Agreement. If the Department projects, based on the parameters as of July 1, 2025, that funding will be insufficient to fully fund the program in any one year, the amount needed shall be provided from the Eligible Drivers Toll Relief Fund. By March 31 of each year, the Department shall notify the Chairs of the House Committee on Appropriations and the Senate Committee on Finance and Appropriations of projected estimates and any amounts to be supplemented from the Eligible Drivers Toll Relief Fund. The Department shall report on the amount that was used from the Eligible Drivers Toll Relief Fund to resolve any shortfall 90 days after June 30 each year."

Explanation:

(This amendment removes funding inadvertently included in the introduced budget for toll relief

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in the Hampton Roads area. The funding included for toll relief in the 2024-26 biennium is sufficient to support the program through 2036 and additional funding is not necessary. The amendment also includes language providing additional flexibility to allow VDOT to transfer funds between the two toll relief programs if necessary.)

Item 450 #1h

Transportation	FY26-27	FY27-28
Virginia Port Authority	(\$33,000,000)	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 522, line 28, strike "\$121,849,136" and insert "\$88,849,136".

Page 524, line 4, strike "\$35,000,000" and insert "\$2,000,000".

Page 524, line 6, after "Virginia." strike "Funds".

Page 524, strike lines 7 through 20.

Explanation:

(This amendment adjusts funding included in the introduced budget for the development of an inland port in Washington County, Virginia. After the amendment, \$2.0 million in funding remains which is sufficient to complete the project planning and design.)

Item 454 #1h

Veterans and Defense Affairs	FY26-27	FY27-28
Secretary of Veterans and Defense Affairs	(\$2,000,000)	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 526, line 10, strike "\$5,425,150" and insert "\$3,425,150".

Page 526, strike lines 38 and 39.

Explanation:

(This amendment removes \$2.0 million the first year from the general fund proposed for deposit in the Virginia Military Community Infrastructure Grant Program.)

Item 456 #1h

Veterans and Defense Affairs	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Veterans Services	\$25,000	\$0 GF

Language:

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Page 527, line 24, strike "\$39,190,863" and insert "\$39,215,863".

Page 528, after line 45, insert:

"I. Out of this appropriation, \$25,000 the first year from the general fund is provided for the Honor Guard Grant Program."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$25,000 the first year from the general fund for the Honor Guard Grant Program, established pursuant to House Bill 108.)

Item 456 #2h		
Veterans and Defense Affairs	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of Veterans Services	(\$100,000)	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 527, line 24, strike "\$39,190,863" and insert "\$39,090,863".

Page 527, line 37, strike "\$200,000" and insert "\$100,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment removes a proposed \$100,000 increase the first year for the V3 grant program.)

Item 469 #1h		
Central Appropriations	FY26-27	FY27-28
Central Appropriations	\$0	\$90,100 GF

Language:

Page 534, line 13, strike "\$356,513,260" and insert "\$356,603,360".

Page 541, line 2, strike the second "\$4,133,277" and insert "\$4,223,377".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$90,100 general fund in fiscal year 2028 pursuant to the passage of House Bill 865 which adds lung cancer and non-hodgkin's lymphoma to the cancer presumption for firefighters and other first responders.)

Item 469 #2h		
Central Appropriations	FY26-27	FY27-28

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Central Appropriations	\$170,624	\$344,652	GF
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Language:

Page 534, line 13, strike "\$164,110,197" and insert "\$164,280,821".

Page 534, line 13, strike "\$356,513,260" and insert "\$356,857,912".

Page 541, line 11, strike "\$92,321,275" and insert "\$92,491,889".

Page 541, line 11, strike "\$203,442,509" and insert "\$203,787,161".

Page 542, after line 30, insert:

"7. It is the intention of the General Assembly that the Department of Planning and Budget include the personnel cost for the Institute For Advanced Learning and Research into the methodology used to calculate the cost of future salary increases.

8. It is the intention of the General Assembly that the Department of Planning and Budget include the personnel cost for the Roanoke Higher Education Authority into the methodology used to calculate the cost of future salary increases."

Explanation:

(This amendment makes a technical correction related to salary calculations for the Institute For Advanced Learning and Research and the Roanoke Higher Education Authority and includes funding for these two centers in the funding for the two percent salary increases in both years.)

Item 469 #3h

Central Appropriations	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Central Appropriations	\$360,650	\$360,650	GF

Language:

Page 534, line 13, strike "\$164,110,197" and insert "\$164,470,847".

Page 534, line 13, strike "\$356,513,260" and insert "\$356,873,910".

Page 535, line 33, strike "\$99,423,507" and insert "\$99,784,157".

Page 535, line 34, strike "\$144,095,199" and insert "\$144,455,849".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$360,650 from the general fund each year of the biennium pursuant to the passage of House Bill 1182 and House Bill 795 of the 2026 General Assembly Session.)

Item 469 #4h

Central Appropriations	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Central Appropriations	\$80,000,000	\$0	GF

Language:

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Page 534, line 13, strike "\$164,110,197" and insert "\$244,110,197".

Page 543, after line 8, insert:

"V. Included in the appropriation for this item, \$80,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided for a lump sum deposit into the State Employee Health Insurance Fund no later than July 15, 2026."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$80.0 million from the general fund in fiscal year 2027 to provide a lump sum deposit into the State Employee Health Insurance Fund. There has been a significant decrease in the Fund's balance over the past year.)

	Item 470 #1h		
Central Appropriations	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Central Appropriations	\$2,885,000	\$2,885,000	GF

Language:

Page 543, line 10, strike "\$18,877,672" and insert "\$21,762,672".

Page 543, line 10, strike "\$20,522,424" and insert "\$23,407,424".

Page 543, line 33, strike "\$2,367,806" and "\$2,367,806" and insert: "\$5,252,806" and "\$5,252,806".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$2.9 million each year from the general fund to increase the central accounts funding to assist agencies with the general fund share of increased rent. A companion amendment under the Department of General Services increases the rent rate to reflect the latest occupancy and expenses.)

	Item 471 #1h		
Central Appropriations	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Central Appropriations	\$0	\$11,125,212	GF

Language:

Page 544, line 4, strike "\$1,300,000" and insert "\$12,425,212".

Page 546, after line 18, insert:

"K. Out of this appropriation, \$11,125,212 the second year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 5 of the 2026 General Assembly. Out of the general funds provided in this paragraph, the Director of the Department of Planning and Budget shall transfer \$11,039,874 the second year to the Department of Medical Assistance Services; and,

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\$85,338 the second year to the Department of Aging and Rehabilitative Services. The budget for the Department of Medical Assistance Service shall reflect a nongeneral fund increase of \$12,378,574."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$11.1 million from the general fund in fiscal year 2028 for the Department of Medical Assistance Services and Department of Aging and Rehabilitative Services to support costs of providing paid sick leave for personal care attendants. Companion amendments to the Department of Labor and Industry provide funding for systems development and personnel.)

Item 471 #2h

Central Appropriations	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Central Appropriations	\$546,761	\$14,023,789	GF

Language:

Page 544, line 4, strike "\$1,300,000" and insert "\$1,846,761".

Page 544, line 4, strike "\$1,300,000" and insert "\$15,323,789".

Page 546, after line 18, insert:

"K. Out of this appropriation, \$546,761 the first year and \$14,023,789 the second year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 1 of the 2026 General Assembly. Out of the funds provided in this paragraph, the Director of the Department of Planning and Budget shall transfer \$11,239,831 the second year to the Department of Medical Assistance Services; and \$210,442 the second year to the Compensation Board for distribution to constitutional officers. The amounts remaining in this paragraph shall be used by the Department of Planning and Budget to fund agency costs for increasing the wage levels of state employees to those established in House Bill 1 of the 2026 General Assembly. The budget for the Department of Medical Assistance Service shall reflect a nongeneral fund increase of \$12,509,813."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$14.6 million from the general fund over the biennium to address the costs of House Bill 1 of the 2026 General Assembly, raising the minimum wage. Additional resources are needed for the Department of Medical Assistance Services, Constitutional Officers, and State Employees.)

Item 471 #3h

Central Appropriations	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Central Appropriations	\$1,000,000	\$0	GF

Language:

Page 544, line 3, strike "\$1,300,000" and insert "\$2,300,000".

Page 546, after line 18, insert:

"K. Out of this appropriation, \$1,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided for the Virginia Clean Energy Innovation Bank established pursuant to House Bill 1444 of the 2026 General Assembly. On or before July 31, 2026, the the Virginia Department of Energy in collaboration with the State Comptroller shall transfer any unobligated amounts from the Virginia Clean Energy Innovation Bank Fund (09078) at the Department of Energy (409) to the Virginia Clean Energy Innovation Bank established by House Bill 1444 of the 2026 General Assembly. The Governor shall award eighty percent of revenues received from the Renewable Energy Certificates sold in the First Quarter of 2026 to the Clean Energy Innovation Bank established by House Bill 1444 of the 2026 General Assembly Session."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$8.4 million for the Virginia Clean Energy Innovation Bank through a transfer of the remaining balances in the current Virginia Clean Energy Innovation Bank managed by the Virginia Department of Energy (\$2.7 million), the current sale of Renewable Energy Certificates (\$4.7 million), and general fund cash (\$1.0 million).)

Item 471 #4h

Central Appropriations

FY26-27

FY27-28

Central Appropriations

\$20,000,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 544, line 4, strike "\$1,300,000" and insert "\$21,300,000".

Page 546, after line 18, insert:

"K. Out of this appropriation \$20,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to effectuate the provisions of House Bill 1263 of the 2026 General Assembly. Out of the amounts provided in this paragraph, the Director of the Department of Planning and Budget shall transfer \$5,500,000 to the Department of Medical Assistance Services; \$1,600,000 to the Department of Human Resources Management; and \$7,000,000 to the Department of Labor and Industry. The remaining amounts shall be distributed by the Director of the Department of Planning and Budget to address any additional start-up costs related to collective bargaining. Any balances for the purposes specified in this paragraph which are unexpended on June 30, 2027 and June 30, 2028 shall not revert to the general fund but shall be carried forward and reappropriated."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$20.0 million in fiscal year 2027 to start-up collective bargaining for state employees and home health care workers. House Bill 1263 of the 2026 General Assembly establishes the Virginia Home Care Authority and the Public Employee Relations Board to

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allow groups of state employees and home health care workers engage in collective bargaining.)

Item 471 #5h

Central Appropriations

FY26-27

FY27-28

Central Appropriations

\$75,000,000

\$125,000,000 GF

Language:

Page 544, line 3, strike "\$1,300,000" and insert "\$76,300,000".

Page 544, line 3, strike "\$1,300,000" and insert "\$126,300,000".

Page 546, after line 18, insert:

"K.1. Out of the amounts included in this appropriation, \$75,000,000 the first year and \$125,000,000 the second year from the general fund is provided for deposit into a new special nonreverting fund to be known as the Federal Uncertainty Contingency Fund.

2. Agencies shall submit requests for allocations from this item to address reductions in federal funding to the Secretary of Finance and the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees no later than October 15 of each fiscal year. Recommendations for transfer of these funds to agencies shall be made by the Director, Department of Planning and Budget by November 15 of each fiscal year for approval by the Secretary of Finance.

3. The Director, Department of Planning and Budget shall report any amounts to be transferred out of the fund to the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees 14 days before implementing the transfer of such funds."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$75.0 million the first year and \$125.0 million the second year from the general fund for deposit to a newly created Federal Uncertainty Contingency Fund. These monies will be used to address unanticipated reductions in federal funding that impact state programs and services.)

Item 472 #1h

Central Appropriations

Central Appropriations

Language

Language:

Page 546, line 54, after "D.", insert "1."

Page 546, after line 55, insert:

"2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or provisions therein, funds awarded for the biennium shall be issued based on the amounts shown

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in the table below and shall not be reduced. The State Council of Higher Education for Virginia and the Virginia Economic Development Partnership, in consultation with staff representatives from participating institutions, the Senate Committee on Finance and Appropriations, the House Committee on Appropriations, the Secretary of Finance, and the Secretary of Education, shall review the methodology to determine any award reduction amounts based on performance and provide recommendations to the Secretary of Finance and designated reviewers as outlined in § [23.1-1241](#), Code of Virginia. The revised methodology shall be communicated to institutions including a list of frequently asked questions at least one year prior to implementing the change.

Institution	FY 2026 Allocation
Christopher Newport University	\$751,702
College of William and Mary	1,384,198
George Mason University	4,075,259
James Madison University	685,381
Longwood University	263,415
University of Mary Washington	654,911
Norfolk State University	241,601
Old Dominion University	1,480,916
University of Virginia	1,718,369
University of Virginia's College at Wise	71,328
Virginia Commonwealth University	1,345,125
Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University	9,695,499
Virginia State University	305,824
George Mason University (Masters)	1,722,478
Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University (Masters)	3,261,805
Virginia Community College System	1,272,643
Total	\$28,930,454".

Explanation:

(This amendment stipulates distribution of the Tech Talent Investment Fund.)

Item 474 #1h

Independent Agencies

State Corporation Commission

Language

Language:

Page 549, after line 19, insert:

"Notwithstanding § 6.2-1810 of the Code of Virginia, the State Corporation Commission shall not be required to certify and contract with one or more third parties to develop, implement, and maintain a short-term loan database if the existing vendor discontinues its operation of the database and it is not feasible for the State Corporation Commission to procure an alternative vendor. In such event, the provisions in § 6.2-1810 relating to the database shall be inapplicable and the State Corporation Commission shall amend its regulations under Chapter 18 of Title 6.2 of the Code of Virginia accordingly."

Explanation:

(This language amendment clarifies the authority of the State Corporation Commission with relation to its oversight of a short-term loan database as provided for in § 6.2-1810, Code of Virginia.)

Item 474 #2h

Independent Agencies

State Corporation Commission

Language

Language:

Page 549, after line 19, insert:

"The State Corporation Commission (SCC) shall inventory existing consumer-facing guidance, instructional documentation, forms, and other public materials published in hardcopy or electronic media and prepare a cost estimate to translate high demand materials into the top five most common non-English languages spoken in Virginia according to the DataUSA profile for languages spoken in Virginia. The SCC shall report on existing practices for providing language access services at points of public interface alongside an inventory list and publication costs to the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees no later than December 31, 2026."

Explanation:

(This language amendment directs the State Corporation Commission (SCC) to review its customer-facing language access offerings and provide information on the cost to expand such access for high-demand materials.)

Item 478 #1h

Independent Agencies

FY26-27

FY27-28

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State Corporation Commission

\$150,000

\$0 NGF

Language:

Page 550, line 2, strike "\$558,582,934" and insert "\$558,732,934".

Page 550, line 33, strike "for Plan Year 2025".

Page 550, after line 33, insert:

"F. Out of this appropriation, \$150,000 the first year from the Commonwealth Health Reinsurance Program Special Fund is provided for development and submission of a state innovation waiver extension request pursuant to § 1332 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, to extend the Commonwealth Health Reinsurance Program for five years, and to implement the provisions for the program."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$150,000 from nongeneral funds from the Commonwealth Health Reinsurance Program Special Fund for the State Corporation Commission to apply for federal authorization of a five-year extension of the current waiver under section 1332 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) authorizing and providing federal funding for the Commonwealth Health Reinsurance Program, pursuant to the passage of House Bill 327, 2026 Session of the General Assembly. The amendment includes a technical change maintaining the current premium reduction target for the program at 15 percent. Language in the introduced budget referred only to Plan Year 2025.)

Item 478 #2h

Independent Agencies

FY26-27

FY27-28

State Corporation Commission

\$79,100,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 550, line 2, strike "\$558,582,934" and insert "\$637,682,934".

Page 550, after line 33, insert:

"F. There is hereby appropriated to the State Corporation Commission the sum of \$79,100,000 the first year from the general fund to create a non-reverting special fund known as the Virginia Health Insurance Affordability Fund. The Health Benefit Exchange (Exchange) shall develop and operate a program for plan year 2027 to reduce the monthly health insurance premiums for Virginia consumers of Qualified Health Plans sold through the Virginia state-based marketplace operated by the Exchange. Amounts in the Fund shall only be used for premium reduction payments under this program. The Exchange shall develop eligibility rules for the program that reduces the average monthly net premium by as much as 70 percent for individuals and families with household incomes greater than or equal to 138 percent of the federal poverty level and less than 200 percent of the federal poverty level. The Exchange is authorized to adjust the monthly premium reduction payment amount up or down as enrollment and fund balances change to maximize the use of the Fund consistent with the objective of this program. The

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Exchange shall develop other rules and parameters reasonably necessary to implement and operate this program. Any unexpended balances for the purposes specified in this paragraph which are unexpended on June 30, 2027, shall not revert to the general fund but shall be carried forward and reappropriated in fiscal year 2028."

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$79.1 million from the general fund the first year for a state-based premium assistance program for plan year 2027, targeted to individuals who purchase health insurance from Qualified Health Plans sold through the Virginia state-based marketplace with incomes between 138 percent and 200 percent of the federal poverty income level. Funding will be used to lower the average monthly net premium by as much as 70 percent. Language provides flexibility for the Health Benefit Exchange to adjust the monthly premium reduction payment up or down as enrollment and fund balances change to maximize the use of the funding. Language allows the agency to carry funds over into fiscal year 2028 since the premium assistance will be provided in calendar year 2027. It is estimated that the program will serve approximately 117,000 Virginians.)

Item 481 #1h

Independent Agencies

Commonwealth Savers Plan

Language

Language:

Page 552, strike lines 14 through 18.

Explanation:

(This language amendment strikes a proposal in the Introduced Budget that would utilize VA529 balances to support tuition waiver costs.)

Item 487 #1h

Independent Agencies

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia Workers' Compensation
Commission

\$1,500,000

\$20,000 NGF

Language:

Page 555, line 15, strike "\$48,080,439" and insert "\$49,580,439".

Page 555, line 15, strike "\$48,080,439" and insert "\$48,100,439".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$1.5 million the first year and \$20,000 the second year in nongeneral

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fund appropriation for the Workers' Compensation Commission to implement the provisions of House Bill 1007.)

Item 488 #1h			
Independent Agencies	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission	\$130,000	\$100,000	GF

Language:

Page 555, line 26, strike "\$15,826,107" and insert "\$15,956,107".

Page 555, line 26, strike "\$15,826,107" and insert "\$15,926,107".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$130,000 the first year and \$100,000 the second year from the general fund to support the implementation costs of House Bill 1464. A companion amendment to the Department of Criminal Justice Services provides additional funding in support of the bill.)

Item 489 #1h			
Independent Agencies	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority	\$330,196 3.00	\$330,196 3.00	NGF FTE

Language:

Page 556, line 15, strike "\$35,896,216" and insert "\$36,226,412".

Page 556, line 15, strike "\$35,896,216" and insert "\$36,226,412".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$330,000 from the nongeneral fund each year and three positions pursuant to House Bill 934.)

Item 491 #1h			
Independent Agencies	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Virginia Cannabis Control Authority	(\$4,028,024) \$19,575,354 80.00	(\$4,028,024) \$19,575,354 80.00	GF NGF FTE

Language:

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Page 557, line 31, strike "\$6,220,439" and insert "\$21,767,769".

Page 557, line 31, strike "\$6,220,439" and insert "\$21,767,769".

Page 557, strike lines 36 through 39.

Page 557, after line 39, insert:

"Notwithstanding the provision of § 4-3.02 of this act, the State Comptroller may authorize an interest-free treasury loan for the Cannabis Control Authority to fund costs associated with the creation of a retail cannabis market in the Commonwealth consistent with the provisions of House Bill 642 of the 2026 Session of the General Assembly. The amount of the treasury loan may include costs as estimated to be incurred by the Authority and the Department of Taxation for the administration, regulation, enforcement, and oversight of a retail cannabis market in accordance with House Bill 642 of the 2026 Session of the General Assembly. The Secretary of Finance may extend the repayment plan for any such interest-free treasury loan for a period of longer than twelve months as needed to support Authority costs associated with the administration and regulation of a retail cannabis market. Intended repayment of the treasury loan is with revenues anticipated from fines, fees, and taxes collected pursuant to the legislation."

Explanation:

(This amendment authorizes the provision of an interest-free treasury loan to the Cannabis Control Authority to support the creation of a retail cannabis market in the Commonwealth consistent with the provisions of House Bill 642. The amendment also provides \$19.6 million each year from nongeneral funds and 80 positions to support the administration, regulation, enforcement, and oversight of a retail cannabis market consistent with the provisions of House Bill 642.)

Item 492 #1h

Independent Agencies

Opioid Abatement Authority

Language

Language:

Page 558, line 28, strike "\$8,204,198" and "\$8,271,200" insert:

"\$13,159,313" and "\$9,071,200".

Page 558, line 39, strike "\$1,340,503" and "\$1,407,055" and insert:

"\$3,940,053" and "\$2,207,055".

Page 558, strike line 43 and insert:

"Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (720)	Service Dogs of Virginia	\$250,000	\$0
Department of Health (601)	Strategic Plan for Opioid Response Efforts	\$105,115	\$0

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Department of Criminal Justice Services (140)	Jail-Based Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Transition Fund	\$2,000,000	\$0
Total		\$13,159,313	\$9,071,200".

Explanation:

(This amendment updates a table of all appropriations in the budget related to the Commonwealth Opioid Abatement and Remediation Fund.)

	Item 493.10 #1h		
Independent Agencies	FY26-27	FY27-28	
Virginia Gaming Commission	\$10,000,000	\$5,000,000	NGF
	37.00	37.00	FTE

Language:

Page 558, after line 51, insert:

"493.10 Virginia Gaming Commission	\$10,000,000	\$5,000,000
Fund Sources: Special	\$10,000,000	\$5,000,000 "

"A.1. Pursuant to the provisions of House Bill 271 of the 2026 Session of the General Assembly, there is hereby created the Virginia Gaming Commission. No later than June 30, 2027, the appropriations and positions of the agencies listed in the portions of House Bill 271 of the 2026 Session of the General Assembly which establish the Virginia Gaming Commission shall be transferred from the agencies listed to the Virginia Gaming Commission.

2. The Director, Department of Planning and Budget, shall include implementation of the actions set forth in this item in the Budget Bill submitted to the 2027 Session of the General Assembly.

B. To effectuate the provisions of House Bill 271 of the 2026 Session of the General Assembly establishing the Virginia Gaming Commission, there is hereby appropriated a sum sufficient amount of nongeneral fund revenues estimated at \$10,000,000 the first year and \$5,000,000 the second year equal to the gaming revenues enumerated in the provisions of House Bill 271 of the 2026 Session of the General Assembly establishing the Virginia Gaming Commission.

C. Notwithstanding the provision of § 4-3.02 of this act, the State Comptroller may authorize an interest-free treasury loan for the Virginia Gaming Commission to fund costs associated with the implementation of the provisions establishing the Virginia Gaming Commission within House Bill 271 of the 2026 Session of the General Assembly. The amount of the treasury loan may include costs as estimated to be incurred by the Commission for the administration,

regulation, enforcement, and oversight of gaming as specified in House Bill 271 of the 2026 Session of the General Assembly. The Secretary of Finance may extend the repayment plant for any such interest-free treasury loan for a period of longer than twelve months as needed to support Commission costs associated with the administration and regulation of gaming. Intended repayment of the treasury loan is with anticipated Commission revenues."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides sum sufficient appropriation and 37 positions to establish the Virginia Gaming Commission pursuant to certain provisions of House Bill 271. The amendment authorizes the transfer of appropriations and positions of agencies identified in the relevant portions of House Bill 271 to the Virginia Gaming Commission, and directs the Department of Planning and Budget to include the implementation of such actions in the Budget Bill submitted to the 2027 Session of the General Assembly. This amendment further authorizes the provision of an interest-free treasury loan to support the establishment of the Virginia Gaming Commission.)

Item C-0 #1h

General Conditions

General Conditions

Language

Language:

Page 561, after line 21, insert:

"3.a. If a capital project has been authorized to proceed but does not progress at the expected pace for the project's scope, scale, and complexity, the project owner, upon notification from the Six-Year Capital Outlay Plan Advisory Committee (the Committee) shall provide justification for the delay. If the project is authorized for construction and the Committee has determined that the project's estimated total cost has increased due to project owner delay, the Committee may require the project owner to: (i) provide nongeneral fund revenue in an amount sufficient to cover the estimated cost increase attributable to project owner delay, and/or, (ii) coordinate with the Department of General Services (DGS) to reduce project scope to result in cost savings to cover the estimated cost increase attributable to project owner delay; such scope reduction shall be in addition to the requirements in 2.2-1519, Code of Virginia.

b. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph k. of Item 4-4.01 of this act, the Committee may authorize project scope decreases of up to ten percent if/as needed to realize project cost savings as directed in subparagraph 3.a. of this section.

4. To ensure that capital projects are completed within prescribed timelines and budgets, the Committee may direct agency or institution project owners to enter into agreements with DGS for project management services. Such agreements shall take into consideration DGS staffing capacity and availability. The Committee shall authorize capital project budget adjustments to

account for DGS project management service costs within project estimates."

Explanation:

(This language amendment authorizes the Six-Year Capital Outlay Plan Advisory Committee to take necessary actions when General Assembly authorized capital projects are not progressing in accordance with anticipated timelines.)

Item C-0 #2h

General Conditions

General Conditions

Language

Language:

Page 568, after line 34, insert:

"S.1. The Department of General Services (DGS) shall survey state agencies and public higher education institutions that maintain state-owned buildings (hereby collectively referred to as "building managers") to determine if they conduct facilities condition assessments that result in facilities condition indexes. All building managers shall provide the requested information as specified by DGS or shall report the reasons why they do not, including funding challenges and other barriers. All requested information shall be submitted in a manner and by a date prescribed by DGS.

2.a. Based on information from building managers provided in accordance with paragraph S.1., above, DGS shall outline the costs and benefits of facility condition assessments, assess the risks of a statewide mandate, and provide recommendations on: (i) establishing a statewide contract that may be used for conducting facility condition assessment surveys; (ii) developing guidelines to ensure comparable facilities condition indexes where appropriate; (iii) proposing a long-term schedule for conducting facility condition assessments; and (iv) exploring the feasibility and challenges of developing building systems lifespan benchmarks that more precisely approximate when each system type will exceed its useful life under typical use and maintenance schedules, including developing multiple benchmarks for systems with varied lifespans.

b. DGS shall also assess the accuracy and completeness of Maintenance Reserve Facilities Index (M-R FIX) data and determine whether system upgrades to M-R FIX adequately support the capital budget process and the proportional allocation of maintenance reserve (MR) funds among agencies. DGS shall submit a report with its findings and recommendations to the Six-Year Capital Outlay Plan Advisory Committee (Committee) by September 15, 2028.

3. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the Committee may develop processes and procedures that require building managers to submit capital improvement plans that include the use of MR funding, priority of projects, funding timelines, and any other information necessary to assist the Committee in identifying and prioritizing project recommendations.

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4. No later than September 1 of each year, all building managers must identify and report underutilized and surplus buildings using a DGS form. DGS shall provide recommendations to the Committee on how such buildings should be included in the MR funding allocation.

5. DGS shall establish and maintain standards and guidelines related to competencies, required training, certification, and other necessary qualifications for individuals who manage capital outlay projects of varying cost, size, and complexity. Such guidelines shall be established in consultation with select building managers that have substantial capital assets, and/or have high maintenance needs. DGS shall perform a labor market analysis to determine the compensation requirements for project managers who meet the established guidelines and provide a report to the Committee on the standard, guidelines, and compensation requirements no later than September 15, 2028.

6. DGS shall develop and maintain criteria to identify complex and high-risk capital outlay projects that require specialized project management qualifications, taking into account factors such as project cost, complexity, and other characteristics as determined by DGS. Project managers currently overseeing state-funded capital and MR projects shall be required to complete appropriate training on the Construction Professional Services Manual (CPSM), the Virginia Public Procurement Act (VPPA), and the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code, and certify such training to the Division of Building and Engineering (DEB). DGS's Division of Construction Management may provide technical assistance in managing capital outlay projects that meet the complex and high-risk criteria and may, after assessing a project and subject to workload, enter into an agreement with a state agency or institution of higher education to manage a capital project. The Division is authorized to charge established rates for managing such projects, and such rates may be paid out of a capital project budget."

Explanation:

(This language amendment implements most of the recommendations from the October 2025 Capital Maintenance and Construction Report by the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission (JLARC).)

Item C-0.10 #1h		
Administration	FY26-27	FY27-28
Department of General Services	\$33,000,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 568, after line 34, insert:

"C-0.10 New Construction: New State Agency Building (18765)	\$33,000,000	\$0
Fund Sources: General	\$33,000,000	\$0 "

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"A.1. Out of the amounts provided in this item, the Department of General Services is authorized to proceed to working drawings and, upon full vacancy of the facility, demolition of the Annex Building.

2. Out of the amounts provided in this item, the Department of General Services shall continue planning for a childcare center for state employees located at the seat of government in Richmond. Such planning shall be based on facility location, size, scope, and operating model recommended by the Six-Year Capital Outlay Plan Advisory Committee, as based on the report provided in accordance with paragraph H.2. of Item C-3.50, Chapter 725, 2025 Acts of Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$33.0 million the first year from the general fund for the Department of General Services (DGS) to continue progress on a new state agency building at the seat of government. Language included in the amendment authorizes DGS to proceed through working drawings and demolition of the facility located on the project site, and directs DGS to proceed with planning a childcare center for state employees as part of this project's efforts.)

Item C-2 #1h		
Education	FY26-27	FY27-28
George Mason University	\$15,000,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 568, line 45, strike "\$20,250,000" and insert "\$35,250,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides an additional \$15.0 million the first year from the general fund to address deferred maintenance projects at George Mason University, bringing the total amount to \$35.3 million.)

Item C-7 #1h		
Education	FY26-27	FY27-28
University of Mary Washington	\$2,474,338	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 569, line 21, strike "\$7,385,714" and insert "\$9,860,052".

Page 569, after line 22, insert:

"The University is authorized to use funds provided in this item to conduct a feasibility study regarding the most cost effective long-term solution for remedying building deficiencies and to

address modern needs for its Simpson Library building."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$2.5 million the first year from the general fund for the University of Mary Washington to conduct a feasibility study to determine the most cost effective manner to address necessary renovations to Simpson Library.)

Item C-11.10 #1h

Education: Higher Education

FY26-27

FY27-28

Virginia Community College System

\$2,000,000

\$0 NGF

Language:

Page 569, after line 35, insert:

"C-11.10 New Construction: Career and Technical
Education Facility- Rappahannock CC, Glens
Campus

\$2,000,000

\$0

Fund Sources:

Special

\$2,000,000

\$0 "

Out of this item, an amount estimated at \$2,000,000 in nongeneral fund appropriation is provided to support a new Career and Technical Education Facility - Rappahannock Community College, Glens Campus. The institution is hereby authorized to accept and expend any private or grant funds received for this purpose."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$2.0 million the first year in nongeneral fund appropriation and language authorizing Rappahannock Community College to accept and expend private monies and/or grant funds received for the purpose of constructing a Career and Technical Education Facility on the Glens Campus.)

Item C-15 #1h

Natural and Historic Resources

Department of Conservation and Recreation

Language

Language:

Page 571, line 2, strike "\$22,000,000" and insert "\$27,000,000".

Page 571, line 3, strike "\$18,000,000" and insert "\$13,000,000."

Explanation:

(This language amendment alters funding contributions to support the potential receipt of

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property for a new state park.)

Item C-18 #1h

Natural and Historic Resources

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Wildlife Resources

(\$6,385,000)

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 571, line 42, strike "\$6,385,000" and insert "\$0".

Explanation:

(This amendment removes \$6.4 million the first year from the general fund for a project proposed in the Introduced Budget.)

Item C-18.10 #1h

Public Safety

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Corrections

\$25,000,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 572, after line 3, insert:

"Department of Corrections

C-18.10 Improvements: HVAC Improvements and Installations

\$25,000,000

\$0

Fund Sources: General

\$25,000,000

\$0 "

Page 572, after line 3, insert:

"Out of this appropriation, \$25,000,000 the first year is provided for the department to conduct necessary improvements at Nottoway Correctional Center to install adequate heating, ventilation, and air conditioning."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$25.0 million the first year from the general fund for an umbrella project to upgrade correctional facilities that do not currently have fully-operable air conditioning. For this first installment of funding, language directs funding to Nottoway Correctional Center.)

Item C-19.10 #1h

Transportation

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Motor Vehicles

Language:

Page 572, after line 7, insert:

"C-19.10 Improvements: Renovate DMV
Headquarters (18712)

\$0

\$0

A.1. The scope of this project shall permit the sale of the current Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Headquarters site at 2300 West Broad Street in the City of Richmond and the acquisition and renovation of a replacement headquarters building and customer service center, if determined to be cost-beneficial.

2. The Commissioner of DMV, working in consultation with the Director of the Department of General Services (DGS), is authorized to explore the sale of the current DMV Headquarters site at fair market value to determine if such a sale is the most cost-beneficial option for the Commonwealth. If such a sale is determined to be the most cost-beneficial option for the Commonwealth, DGS is authorized to proceed with the public sale of the current DMV Headquarters site at fair market value. The departments shall communicate the details of such determination with the Six-Year Capital Outlay Plan Advisory Committee prior to the sale of the site.

3. The Secretary of Finance may approve a treasury loan for DMV to acquire and improve property for the relocation of the headquarters facility. The treasury loan shall be repaid from the proceeds of the sale of the current DMV Headquarters property. Any proceeds from the sale exceeding the amount of the treasury loan shall be deposited to a special fund in the state treasury to be used to meet the expenses of DMV.

4. If the replacement headquarters building is not suitable to house a customer service center to serve the central Richmond area, DMV is authorized to acquire or lease a second building, or purchase land and construct a new customer service center, to serve customers in the central Richmond area.

5. The Director, Department of Planning and Budget is authorized to adjust the nongeneral fund appropriation for this project to reflect the proceeds from the sale of current headquarters and the costs associated with the purchase of the replacement property and any required renovations of that property."

Explanation:

(This language amendment authorizes potential actions with regard to the Department of Motor Vehicles' current headquarters building in Richmond.)

Item C-24 #1h

Veterans and Defense Affairs

FY26-27

FY27-28

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Department of Military Affairs	(\$2,800,000)	\$0	GF
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Language:

Page 572, line 33, strike "\$2,800,000" and insert "\$0".

Explanation:

(This amendment reduces the general fund by \$2.8 million the first year and shifts funding to improve readiness centers to the agency's maintenance reserve allocation.)

Item C-25 #1h

Veterans and Defense Affairs

FY26-27

FY27-28

Department of Veterans Services	(\$2,208,000)	\$0	GF
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Language:

Page 573, line 2, strike "\$2,208,000" and insert "\$0".

Explanation:

(This amendment reduces the general fund by \$2.2 million the first year and shifts funding to address veterans care centers' maintenance needs to the agency's maintenance reserve allocation.)

Item C-26 #1h

Central Appropriations

FY26-27

FY27-28

Central Capital Outlay	\$200,000,000	(\$200,000,000)	GF
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Language:

Page 573, line 11, strike "\$200,000,000" and insert "\$400,000,000".

Page 573, line 11, strike "\$200,000,000" and insert "\$0".

Page 573, strike lines 16 through 29 and insert:

"Agency Name/Code	Project Code	FY 2027
Department of Military Affairs (123)	10893	\$8,224,764
The Science Museum of Virginia (146)	13634	\$2,589,446
Department of State Police (156)	10886	\$937,878
Department of General Services (194)	14260	\$27,371,456

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Department of General Services (194) on behalf of the Fort Monroe Authority	18644	\$11,329,934
Department of Conservation and Recreation (199)	16646	\$12,257,608
The Library of Virginia (202)	17423	\$500,000
Wilson Workforce and Rehabilitation Center (203)	10885	\$1,157,722
The College of William and Mary (204)	12713	\$9,509,910
University of Virginia (207)	12704	\$29,576,610
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (208)	12707	\$38,884,872
Virginia Military Institute (211)	12732	\$1,800,916
Virginia State University (212)	12733	\$8,302,200
Norfolk State University (213)	12724	\$5,848,408
Longwood University (214)	12722	\$5,010,024
University of Mary Washington (215)	12723	\$6,296,208
James Madison University (216)	12718	\$9,519,702
Radford University (217)	12731	\$4,164,076
Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind (218)	14082	\$1,960,338
Old Dominion University (221)	12710	\$9,261,078
Virginia Commonwealth University (236)	12708	\$31,948,872
Virginia Museum of Fine Arts (238)	13633	\$6,301,572
Frontier Culture Museum of Virginia (239)	15045	\$500,000
Richard Bland College (241)	12716	\$934,388
Christopher Newport University (242)	12719	\$3,449,644
University of Virginia's College at Wise (246)	12706	\$2,673,384
George Mason University (247)	12712	\$7,647,308
Virginia Community College System (260)	12611	\$49,166,212
Virginia Institute of Marine Science (268)	12331	\$1,567,590
Eastern Virginia Medical School (274)	18190	\$4,681,152
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (301)	12253	\$677,806
Department of Energy (409)	13096	\$500,000
Department of Forestry (411)	13986	\$5,741,682
Gunston Hall (417)	12382	\$500,000
Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation (425)	13605	\$2,446,004
Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired (702)	13942	\$607,822
Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (720)	10880	\$16,226,292
Department of Juvenile Justice (777)	15081	\$5,759,549
Department of Forensic Science (778)	16320	\$657,738
Department of Corrections (799)	10887	\$57,485,331

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Institute for Advanced Learning and Research (885)	18044	\$500,000
Department of Veterans Services (912)	17073	\$2,708,000
Roanoke Higher Education Authority (935)	17916	\$816,504
Southern Virginia Higher Education Center (937)	18131	\$500,000
New College Institute (938)	18132	\$500,000
Virginia Museum of Natural History (942)	14439	\$500,000
Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center (948)	16499	\$500,000
Total		\$400,000,000".

Page 574, strike lines 1 through 53.

Page 574, line 27, after "to" insert "(i)".

Page 575, line 23, after "upgrades" insert:

"to public areas in and around Capitol Square and as needed within Department managed buildings in the seat of government,".

Page 575, line 28, after "assets", insert:

", and (ii) utilize amounts as needed to hire a consultant to audit data utilized in its Maintenance Reserve Facilities Index".

Page 576, line 32, after "Center", insert:

"to include replacement of the emergency back-up generator".

Page 576, after 32, insert:

"N. Out of the amounts allocated to the Department of Veterans Services, funding is included to address maintenance needs at state Veterans Care Centers.

O. Out of the amounts allocated to the Department of Military Affairs, funding is included to make improvements to Readiness Centers."

Explanation:

(This amendment shifts \$200,000,000 in general fund from the second year to the first year to assist with biennial balancing and updates the allocations to reflect targeted priorities.)

	Item C-27 #1h	
Central Appropriations	FY26-27	FY27-28
Central Capital Outlay	\$10,267,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 576, line 34, strike "\$39,893,000" and insert "\$50,160,000".

Page 576, after line 45, insert:

"213 Norfolk State University Science Building Replacement (18385)".

Explanation:

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(This amendment provides \$10.3 million the first year from the general fund to add a project to the equipment pool to provide furniture, fixtures, and equipment for NSU's Science Building Replacement project.)

Item C-28 #1h

Central Appropriations

FY26-27

FY27-28

Central Capital Outlay

(\$564,050)

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 577, line 4, strike "\$13,989,561" and insert "\$13,425,511".

Page 577, line 8, strike "\$1,555,050" and insert "\$3,069,050".

Page 577, line 8 after "\$1,555,050", strike the remainder of the line.

Page 577, line 9, strike "\$1,514,000".

Page 577, line 11, after "projects." strike remainder of line and insert:

"In the event of insufficient balances in the Central Capital Planning Fund, agencies and/or institutions of higher education may utilize their own nongeneral funds to proceed with planning projects authorized in this item."

Page 577, strike line 12.

Page 577, after line 24, insert:

"246 University of Virginia's College at Wise Renovate Darden Hall (18760)".

Explanation:

(This amendment reduces general fund appropriation by \$564,050 the first year and makes changes to projects authorized to begin planning.)

Item C-29 #1h

Central Appropriations

FY26-27

FY27-28

Central Capital Outlay

(\$79,806,866)
(\$25,156,678)

\$0 GF
\$0 NGF

Language:

Page 577, line 36, strike "\$1,336,094,534" and insert "\$1,231,130,990".

Page 578, line 8, strike "\$360,061,238" and insert "\$280,254,372".

Page 578, line 11, strike "\$86,056,678" and insert "\$72,056,678".

Page 578, line 13, strike "\$37,256,678" and insert "\$26,100,000".

Page 578, strike lines 24 through 27.

Page 578, strike lines 33 through 36 and insert:

"214 Longwood University Replace and Renovate Building Systems in Coyner Hall".

Page 578, strike lines 39 and 40.

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Page 578, strike lines 52 through 54.

Page 578, after line 56, insert:

"935 Roanoke Higher Education Center Replace Windows".

Page 579, line 2, strike "may" and insert "shall".

Page 579, after line 10, insert:

"E. On or before August 1, 2026, the Director, Department of Planning and Budget, shall transfer to this item the following balances from existing projects: (i) \$7,500,000 in anticipated savings from project 778-18167, Expand and Renovate Current or Construct New Central Forensic Laboratory and Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, and (ii) the full balance of project 194-18363, Monroe Building Critical Systems Replacements, estimated at \$9,761,906.

F. On or before August 1, 2026, the Director, Department of Planning and Budget, shall transfer to this Item \$7,000,000 from general fund balances in the Planning Pool for Capital Projects (17968) authorized in Item C-48, Chapter 725, 2025 Acts of Assembly.

G. The Indigent Defense Commission (the Commission), is authorized to purchase property in, or near, the City of Bedford in which to house local Commission operations. The requirements of § 2.2-1149 of the Code of Virginia shall apply to such purchase. Funding from this Item may be used to support the purchase price, associated transaction expenses, and reasonable improvements needed to retrofit the space to accommodate Commission operations."

Explanation:

(This amendment reduces general fund by \$79.8 million the first year and nongeneral fund by \$25.2 million the first year and makes changes to projects authorized to advance to construction, including the addition of a project to renovate the historic windows at the Roanoke Higher Education Center and a project at Longwood University to renovate systems at Coyner Hall. Additionally, this amendment directs the transfer of \$24.3 million from unobligated balances of other projects to this Item to support authorized construction costs.)

Item C-30 #1h

Central Appropriations

Central Capital Outlay

Language

Language:

Page 579, after line 29, insert:

"4. Project 194-18516, as previously authorized in Item C-67 of Chapter 1289 of the 2020 Acts of Assembly, and amended in Item C-78 of Chapter 1 of the 2023 Acts of Assembly, Special Session I, is eligible to receive funding from this item in accordance with the provisions of paragraph C, below."

Explanation:

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(This language amendment clarifies that a project managed by the Department of General Services is eligible to receive supplemental funding in accordance with standard procedures.)

Item C-38 #1h

Central Appropriations

9(D) Revenue Bonds

Language

Language:

Page 582, line 10, strike "\$123,596,678" and insert "\$112,440,000".

Page 582, strike lines 20 through 25.

Page 582, line 36, strike "\$123,596,678" and insert "\$112,440,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment updates the 9(d) Revenue Bond table for changes made to project authorizations as reflected in corresponding amendments.)

Item 3-1.01 #1h

Transfers

Interfund Transfers

Language

Language:

Page 589, line 49, strike "\$31,000,000" and "\$31,000,000" and insert: "\$36,000,000" and "\$36,000,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment increases the estimated transfer to the general fund from the State Racing Operations Fund by \$5.0 million each year.)

Item 3-1.01 #2h

Transfers

Interfund Transfers

Language

Language:

Page 589, line 38, after "estimated at" strike "\$500,000" and insert "\$4,616,585".

Explanation:

(This amendment reflects a transfer to the general fund of excess amounts in the Regulatory,

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Consumer Advocacy, Litigation, and Enforcement Revolving Trust Fund.)

Item 3-1.01 #3h

Transfers

Interfund Transfers

Language

Language:

Page 590, after line 12, insert:

"LL. On or before July 15 the first year, the State Comptroller shall transfer \$79,967,308 to the general fund from the Virginia Business Ready Sites Acquisition Fund (Fund 09124)."

Explanation:

(This amendment transfers an estimated \$80.0 million to the general fund from the Virginia Business Ready Sites Acquisition Fund.)

Item 3-1.01 #4h

Transfers

Interfund Transfers

Language

Language:

Page 587, line 11, strike the first "\$877,725,168" and insert "\$892,725,168".

Page 587, line 14, strike "\$877,725,168" and insert "\$892,725,168".

Explanation:

(This amendment increases fiscal year 2027 Lottery Proceeds by \$15.0 million for estimated fiscal year 2026 residual profits.)

Item 3-1.01 #5h

Transfers

Interfund Transfers

Language

Language:

Page 585, line 6, strike "\$146,300,000" and insert "\$145,969,804".

Page 585, line 6, strike "\$133,300,000" and insert "\$132,969,804".

Explanation:

(This amendment reduces the transfer of net profit revenue from distilled spirits by \$330,000

each year pursuant to House Bill 934.)

Item 3-1.01 #6h

Transfers

Interfund Transfers

Language

Language:

Page 590, after line 12, insert:

"LL. Notwithstanding § 22.1-349.2 of the Code of Virginia, on or before June 30, 2027, the State Comptroller shall revert \$10,100,000 from unobligated College Partnership Laboratory School Fund amounts to the general fund."

Explanation:

(This amendment reverts \$10.1 million the first year from unobligated College Partnership Laboratory School Fund balances to the general fund.)

Item 3-1.01 #7h

Transfers

Interfund Transfers

Language

Language:

Page 588, line 47, strike "shall" and insert "may".

Page 589, strike lines 46 through 51 and insert:

"U.1. Notwithstanding the provisions of §§ 2.2-1150 or 2.2-1156, Code of Virginia or any other provisions of law, the Department of Corrections is authorized to sell the parcel of land consisting of 54.33 acres, more or less, bearing Brunswick County Tax Map No. 53-1B, where the Department of Corrections formerly operated the Brunswick Correctional Center, to Brunswick County for \$200,000. The sale price of this property, as directed by this item, shall not be factored into any subsequent valuation of the property.

2. This conveyance shall be made by a quitclaim deed and in a form approved by the Attorney General. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 2.2-1156, if tax-exempt bonds were issued by the Commonwealth or its related authorities, boards or institutions to finance the acquisition, construction, improvement or equipping of real property, proceeds from the sale or disposition of such property and any improvements may first be applied toward remediation options available under federal law to maintain the tax-exempt status of such bonds."

Page 590, after line 12, insert:

"LL.1. The State Board for Community Colleges (the State Board) is hereby authorized to acquire from the Laurel Ridge Community College Educational Foundation, by purchase at an

amount below the appraised fair market value of the property, certain real property and improvements located adjacent to the Laurel Ridge Community College campus, consisting of approximately 4.8 acres of land and including an existing facility and the associated site and adjacent parking area. The consideration paid shall be derived exclusively from nongeneral fund sources available to Laurel Ridge Community College, including auxiliary enterprise reserves and revenues generated from noncredit workforce programs.

2. Upon acquisition of such real property, the property and any improvements shall become state-owned facilities under the control of the State Board and shall be eligible for inclusion in the Virginia Community College System capital outlay program and for state maintenance reserve support, consistent with applicable law and regulation; and the facility existing on such property shall remain available to support student support services and, with such funding as shall become available from state or nonstate sources, shall be renovated by Laurel Ridge Community College and converted into a facility to support instruction and workforce training in career and technical education fields, including health care, information technology, and skilled trades.

3. The State Board shall be authorized to execute and deliver such deeds, agreements, plats, and other instruments as necessary to carry out such acquisition in accordance with the provisions of this act."

Explanation:

(This language amendment clarifies authorizations regarding the sale or transfer of surplus state property.)

Item 3-1.01 #8h

Transfers

Interfund Transfers

Language

Language:

Page 590, after line 12, insert:

"LL. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, on or before June 30, 2027, \$10,000,000 from the unobligated balances of fund 09035 shall be transferred to the general fund."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs the transfer of \$10 million in unobligated balances from the SRO Incentive Grant Fund on or before June 30, 2027.)

Item 3-1.01 #9h

Transfers

Interfund Transfers

Language

Language:

Page 590, after line 12, insert:

"On or before July 15, 2026, the State Comptroller shall transfer to the general fund \$10,295,000 from fund 09074 contained in the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia's Higher Education Academic, Fiscal, and Facility Planning and Coordination Program (11100)."

Explanation:

(This amendment transfers nongeneral fund balances to the general fund.)

Item 3-1.01 #10h

Transfers

Interfund Transfers

Language

Language:

Page 588, line 15, strike "\$12,598,252" and insert "\$13,394,049".

Explanation:

(This amendment increases the transfer from the general fund to the Game Protection Fund by \$796,000 in fiscal year 2027 to reflect the costs to the Department of Wildlife Resources of providing a two percent compensation increase as proposed in House Bill 30 as introduced. A companion amendment to Item 373 makes a corresponding adjustment to the transfer from the Game Protection Fund to DWR.)

Item 3-1.01 #11h

Transfers

Interfund Transfers

Language

Language:

Page 590, after line 12, insert:

"LL. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 2.2-1156, Code of Virginia, or any other provisions of law, proceeds in an amount estimated at \$2,100,000 generated from the sale of state property bearing the Augusta Correctional Center in Craigsville shall be be directed as follows: (i) \$100,000 to address remediation in accordance with § 4-5.08 3.c. of this act, and (ii) balance for deposit into the general fund.

MM. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 2.2-1156, Code of Virginia, or any other provisions of law, the Director, Department of Planning and Budget, shall take actions as needed so the

proceeds generated from the sale of state property known as the Monroe Building in the City of Richmond shall result in additional general fund revenue in an amount estimated at \$25,200,000.

NN. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 2.2-1156, Code of Virginia, or any other provisions of law, proceeds in an amount estimated at \$7,780,000 generated from the sale of state property at the corner of 7th and Main Streets in the City of Richmond shall be deposited into the general fund as directed in Item C-3.50, Chapter 725, 2025 Acts of Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment accounts for additional revenues to the general fund resulting from the sale of surplus state property.)

Item 3-4.01 #1h

Auxiliary Enterprises and Sponsored Programs in Institutions of Higher Education

Auxiliary Enterprise Investment Yields

Language

Language:

Page 592, line 35, after "Accounts." insert "2."

Page 592, line 37, strike "2." and insert "3."

Page 592, line 37, after "Wise", strike "is" and insert "and Norfolk State University are".

Explanation:

(This amendment makes technical clarification to auxiliary indirect cost recovery language and suspends the recovery transfer of indirect cost of auxiliary enterprise for the 2026-28 biennium.)

Item 3-4.01 #2h

Auxiliary Enterprises and Sponsored Programs in Institutions of Higher Education

Auxiliary Enterprise Investment Yields

Language

Language:

Page 592, after line 41, insert:

"C. Annually or as required, the Auditor of Public Accounts, or her legally authorized representative, shall perform attestation services over each higher education institution's Statement of Revenues and Expenses of Intercollegiate Athletics Programs to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (or comparable intercollegiate athletics governing body). The cost of such attestation services, estimated at a

statewide total of \$450,000 annually, shall be borne by the intercollegiate athletics program at each institution."

Explanation:

(This language amendment authorizes the Auditor of Public Accounts (APA) to bill higher education institutions for the cost of performing agreed-upon procedures engagements over intercollegiate athletics programs. This work performed by the APA has increased significantly in recent years due to changes in the procedures required by the NCAA.)

Item 3-5.03 #1h

Adjustments and Modifications to Tax Collections

Implementation of Chapter 3, Acts of Assembly of 2004, Special
Session I

Language

Language:

Page 593, strike lines 2 through 14.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates language directing revenues deposited into the Public Education Standards of Quality/Local Real Estate Property Tax Relief to be transferred to the general fund to support public education. Corresponding amendments to Item 125 and Item 4-14 redirect the revenues currently deposited into the Public Education Standards of Quality/Local Real Estate Property Tax Relief Fund into the general fund.)

Item 4-2.01 #1h

Revenues

Nongeneral Fund Revenues

Language

Language:

Page 607, line 23, after "Security." insert:

"Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, funds and gifts from private sources received by the Virginia War Memorial Foundation shall neither be taken into consideration in nor used to reduce state appropriations or payments to the Virginia War Memorial and shall be used in accordance with the wishes of the donors of such funds to strengthen the services provided by the Virginia War Memorial."

Page 607, line 23, after "Security." strike remainder of line.

Page 607, strike lines 24 through 25.

Explanation:

(This amendment revises existing language to reflect current practice regarding the Virginia War Memorial Foundation's support for the Virginia War Memorial.)

Item 4-2.01 #2h

Revenues

Nongeneral Fund Revenues

Language

Language:

Page 608, after line 16, insert:

"e) The requirements for § 4-2.01 b.2.b, as it pertains to nonresident undergraduate students, are waived for new nonresident undergraduate students enrolled at NSU, VSU, UVA-Wise and institutions of higher education with a current proportion of nonresident undergraduate enrollment of less than 20 percent, measured in terms of full-time equivalent."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides flexible tuition authority in an effort to increase Virginia's talent pipeline. In order to attract out-of-state students into Virginia, the language would allow certain schools the ability to charge less than 100 percent of the average cost of education to out-of-state students but not less than the in-state cost.)

Item 4-3.03 #1h

Deficit Authorization and Treasury Loans

Long-term Leases

Language

Language:

Page 614, strike lines 8 through 36 and insert:

"1. As part of their capital budget submission, all agencies and institutions of the Commonwealth proposing building projects or acquisition of property through a lease or financed purchase that may qualify as a capital project based on a lease agreement, as defined in the guidance below, and that may be supported in whole, or in part, from appropriations provided for in this act, shall submit proposals to the Department of Planning and Budget through the capital budget request process.

2. A capital project based on a lease agreement is defined as meeting at least one of the following criteria:

a.) The lease transfers ownership of the property to the lessee by the end of the lease term or contains a purchase option;

b.) The lease arrangement is used to support the construction of a new facility.

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3. The proposals shall be submitted in such form as the capital budget request instructions may prescribe. The State Treasurer shall be responsible for incorporating existing and authorized applicable lease agreements into the annual Debt Capacity Advisory Committee reports.

4. All lease agreements required to be treated as a capital budget request must be authorized in an Appropriation Act or other legislation except as otherwise provided in this section.

b. APPROVAL OF FINANCINGS:

1. For any project financed through the issuance of securities, the Treasury Board shall approve the terms and structure of such financing pursuant to § 2.2-2416, Code of Virginia.

2. For any project where the lease transfers ownership of the property to the lessee by the end of the lease or the lease is used to support the construction of a new facility, and for which costs will exceed \$5,000,000 and which is financed through a lease or financed purchase transaction, the Treasury Board shall approve the financing terms and structure of such lease or financed purchase in addition to such other reviews and approvals as may be required by law. The State Treasurer shall notify the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees, the Secretary of Finance, and the Director, Department of Planning and Budget, of any such action within five business days.

c. REPORTS:

Not later than December 20 of each year, the Secretary of Finance and the Secretary of Administration shall jointly be responsible for providing the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees with recommendations involving proposed lease agreements subject to § 4-3.03 a.

d. This section shall not apply to leases or financed purchases that are funded entirely with nongeneral fund revenues and are entered into by public institutions of higher education that have a Management Agreement with the Commonwealth of Virginia pursuant to the Restructured Higher Education Financial and Administrative Operations Act. Furthermore, the Department of General Services is authorized to enter into leases for executive branch agencies provided that the resulting lease or financed purchase is funded entirely with nongeneral funds, is approved based on the requirements of § 4-3.03 b.1 and 2 above and would not be considered tax supported debt of the Commonwealth.

e.1. The Governor may authorize proposed building projects or acquisition of property through a financed purchase that may qualify as a capital project based on a lease agreement as defined in § 4-3.03 a.2. above that are not authorized in an Appropriation Act or other legislation and support a program approved by the General Assembly through appropriations, under one or more of the following conditions: (i) the nongeneral fund share of the lease obligations does not exceed the agency's expected available nongeneral fund revenues; (ii) the general fund share of the annual lease obligations does not result in the agency exceeding its current available annual general fund appropriation.

2. The Secretary of Finance shall notify the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees within 30 days of the Governor's authorization

pursuant to this subsection."

Explanation:

(This language amendment updates provisions pertaining to the authorization of leases that require additional approvals.)

Item 4-5.01 #1h

Special Conditions and Restrictions on Expenditures

Transactions with Individuals

Language

Language:

Page 621, after line 41, insert:

"m) 1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary or § 23.1-601 A.6., grants provided pursuant § 23.1-601, Code of Virginia, shall cover tuition and mandatory education and general fees, except those fees established for the purpose of paying for course materials such as laboratory fees, and, if the student is enrolled on-campus into a baccalaureate public institution of higher education, on-campus housing and a standard meal plan.

2) The eligible student must be a Virginia student, who at the time of admission is aged 27 years or less, and who graduated from high school in Virginia or has passed a high school equivalency examination approved by the Virginia Board of Education and has received a high school diploma or has passed a high school equivalency examination approved by the Virginia Board of Education and, at any time after he turned 14, was in foster care in the Commonwealth or in the custody of the Department of Social Services. Such grants must consist of one or a combination of grants, scholarships, and / or waivers from any source, but the award cannot be reduced by loans, work-study or student aid index."

Explanation:

(This amendment clarifies eligibility and process for grants provided under § 23.1-601, Code of Virginia.)

Item 4-5.04 #1h

Special Conditions and Restrictions on Expenditures

Goods and Services

Language

Language:

Page 628, line 26, after "federal law", insert "or state statute".

Explanation:

(This amendment restores language contained in Chapter 725, 2025 Acts of Assembly, which prohibits any funding in the budget from being used for abortion services unless otherwise required by federal or state law. The introduced budget eliminated the reference to state law.)

Item 4-5.10 #1h

Special Conditions and Restrictions on Expenditures

Seat of Government Traffic and Pedestrian Safety

Language

Language:

Page 631, after line 20, insert:

"c. Pursuant to projects authorized and funded by Item C-1.30, Chapter 552, 2021 Acts of Assembly, Special Session I and amended by Item C-2, Chapter 1, 2023 Acts of Assembly, Special Session I, and Item C-2 of Chapter 725 of the 2025 Acts of Assembly, Virginia Acts of Assembly, the General Assembly appropriated funds to the Department of General Services (DGS) for planning, demolition, working drawings, and site preparation: Commonwealth Courts Building (Project 18537). Project work includes improvements and safety and security enhancements to be constructed or installed within the sidewalk areas lying within the northern portion of the right-of-way of East Main Street (between North 9th Street and North 10th Street), within the eastern portion of North 9th Street (between East Main Street and Bank Street), which rights-of-way are owned by the City of Richmond (City), and more specifically as determined by the DGS project team and in collaboration with the City with respect to such rights-of-way. Accordingly, the City and DGS shall enter into a deed of easement or other proper instruments, in such form approved by the Offices of the City Attorney and of the Commonwealth Office of the Attorney General, whereby the City, without charge to the Commonwealth, shall grant to DGS, as agent of the Commonwealth, where mutually agreeable across, over, under and above the referenced right-of-way of East Main Street and North 9th Street, (a) the perpetual and irrevocable right, privilege and easement to construct, install, use, operate, inspect, maintain, repair, replace, rebuild, improve, alter and remove (i) any construction or installation contracted for by DGS either as part of the referenced construction projects or at any time with respect to safety and security enhancements around the perimeter of Capitol Square deemed appropriate by DGS and (ii) all equipment, accessories, utilities and appurtenances necessary to support such construction projects and such incorporation of safety and security enhancements, (b) the perpetual and irrevocable right, privilege and easement to inspect, maintain, repair, replace and rebuild the sidewalks and elements thereof (but not traffic control devices and signage or street lighting located thereupon) of the referenced right-of-way of East Main Street and North 9th Street, and (c) any necessary or appropriate temporary construction easements, upon terms approved by the Mayor of Richmond and the Governor (pursuant to § 2.2-1149, Code of Virginia); approval by Richmond City Council shall not be required.

2. The City, without expending City funds, shall cooperate with DGS (i) to support the

referenced construction project work and incorporation of safety and security enhancements at and along East Main Street and North 9th Street, (ii) to relocate any utilities located in the agreed upon easement area, if necessary, and (iii) to coordinate any closure or other traffic flow controls of East Main Street and North 9th Street during the performance of the construction projects and the incorporation of any safety and security features that will enhance safety and security around the perimeter of Capitol Square. At no time shall DGS make any permanent changes to the East Main Street or North 9th Street rights-of-way without the prior approval of the Chief Administrative Officer of the City or the City hinder or delay construction of the referenced construction projects. Notwithstanding the foregoing, DGS may commence the construction project work and safety and security enhancements within the referenced right-of-way of East Main Street and North 9th Street prior to the execution of a deed of easement or other proper instruments, if deemed necessary by DGS to avoid delay in the implementation of the construction project work or safety and security enhancements."

Explanation:

(This language amendment sets-out safety and ownership requirements related to state and city purview with regard to the areas surrounding the current Pocahontas Building, which is set to be demolished to serve as the site of the future Commonwealth Courts Building.)

Item 4-8.03 #1h

Reporting Requirements

Local Governments

Language

Language:

Page 646, strike lines 44 through 52.

Page 647, strike lines 1 through 57.

Page 648, strike lines 1 through 12.

Explanation:

(This language amendment removes section § 4-8.03 to reflect the passage of Chapter 426, 2024 Acts of Assembly, which codifies the provisions set-out in this section.)

Item 4-9.02 #1h

Higher Education Restructuring

Level II Authority

Language

Language:

Page 651, after line 38, insert:

"f. As part of a five-year pilot program, Richard Bland College is authorized, for a period of five

years, to exercise additional financial and administrative authority as set out in each of the two functional areas of information technology and procurement as set forth and subject to all the conditions in §§ 2.0 and 3.0 of the second enactment of Chapter 824 and 829 of the Acts of Assembly of 2008 except that any effective dates contained in Chapter 824 and 829 of the Acts of Assembly of 2008 are superseded by the provisions of this item."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides for a pilot program for Richard Bland College for additional higher education autonomy opportunities.)

Item 4-14 #1h

Effective Date

Effective Date

Language

Language:

Page 668, after line 29, insert:

"8. 1. That § 24.2-946 and 24.2-947.3 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 24.2-946. (Effective until July 1, 2026) Summary of election laws; forms; instructions.

A. The State Board shall summarize the provisions of the election laws relating to the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act of 2006 and provide for distribution of this summary and prescribed forms to each candidate, person, or committee on request or upon their first filing with the State Board pursuant to this chapter, whichever occurs first.

B. The Board shall designate the forms required for complying with this chapter which shall be the only such forms used in complying with the provisions of this chapter.

C. The Board shall provide, with the summary required by this section, instructions for persons filing reports pursuant to this chapter to assist them in completing the reports. The instructions shall include directions for the reporting of filing fees for any party nomination method. ~~The instructions shall set out the requirements for retaining records and materials for implementing the review provisions of § 24.2-948.5.~~

D. The Board shall provide instructions for candidates who seek election for successive terms in the same office for the filing of reports within each appropriate election cycle for the office and for the aggregation of contributions within each election cycle.

E. The Board shall provide, with the summary required by this section, to each candidate, person, or committee on request or upon their first filing with the State Board pursuant to this chapter, whichever occurs first, a copy of a written explanation prepared by the Attorney General of the provisions of the Act that prohibit the personal use of campaign funds. The explanation shall cover the provisions that prohibit the personal use of campaign funds and shall delineate the differences between prohibited personal uses of campaign funds and permitted

uses of the funds.

§ 24.2-946. (Effective July 1, 2026) Summary of election laws; forms; instructions.

A. The State Board shall summarize the provisions of the election laws relating to the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act of 2006 and provide for distribution of this summary and prescribed forms to each candidate, person, or committee on request or upon their first filing with the State Board pursuant to this chapter, whichever occurs first.

B. The State Board shall designate the forms required for complying with this chapter which shall be the only such forms used in complying with the provisions of this chapter.

C. The State Board shall provide, with the summary required by this section, instructions for persons filing reports pursuant to this chapter to assist them in completing the reports. The instructions shall include directions for the reporting of filing fees for any party nomination method. ~~The instructions shall set out the requirements for retaining records and materials for implementing the review provisions of § 24.2-948.5.~~

D. The State Board shall provide instructions for candidates who seek election for successive terms in the same office for the filing of reports within each appropriate election cycle for the office and for the aggregation of contributions within each election cycle.

E. The State Board, in consultation with the Office of the Attorney General, shall develop and publish guidance on the provisions of the Act that prohibit the personal use of campaign funds. Such guidance shall cover the provisions that prohibit the personal use of campaign funds and shall delineate the differences between prohibited personal uses of campaign funds and permitted uses of the funds and shall include examples of conduct that complies with and that violates such provisions. The State Board shall periodically update such guidance to incorporate advisory opinions and additional examples.

§ 24.2-947.3. Campaign committee treasurer requirements and responsibilities.

A. Upon meeting any of the requirements of subsection A of § 24.2-947.1, the candidate shall appoint a single campaign treasurer who shall be a registered voter in Virginia. Every treasurer so appointed shall accept the appointment, in writing on the statement of organization, prior to the filing thereof. No individual shall act as treasurer unless the required statement of appointment has been filed. The same person may serve as campaign treasurer for more than one candidate.

B. In the event of the death, resignation, removal, or change of the treasurer, the candidate shall designate a successor and file the name and address of the successor within 10 days of the change with the State Board, general registrar, or both, as provided in subsection B of § 24.2-947.1.

C. Any candidate who fails to appoint a treasurer or successor treasurer shall be deemed to have appointed himself treasurer and shall comply as such with the provisions of this chapter.

D. All contributions and expenditures received or made by any candidate, or received or made on his behalf or in relation to his candidacy by any person, except independent expenditures,

shall be paid over or delivered to the candidate's treasurer or shall be reported to the treasurer in such detail and form as to allow him to comply fully with this chapter. An independent expenditure shall be reported pursuant to § 24.2-945.2 in lieu of being reported to the candidate's treasurer.

E. The candidate or his treasurer shall keep detailed and accurate accounts of all contributions turned over to and expenditures made by the candidate or his treasurer on behalf of the candidate or his campaign committee, or reported to any candidate or his treasurer pursuant to this article. Such account shall set forth the date of the contribution or expenditure, its amount or value, the name and address of the person or committee making the contribution or to whom the expenditure was made, and the object or purpose of the contribution or expenditure. Such books and records may be destroyed or discarded at any time after (i) one year from the date of filing the final report required by § 24.2-948.4 or (ii) three years after the December 31 immediately following the election, whichever last occurs, unless a court of competent jurisdiction shall order their retention for a longer period.

~~F. The treasurer shall be responsible for retaining all bank statements for, and copies of checks issued on, the campaign depository and bills, invoices, and receipts for any expenditure greater than \$500. The treasurer for a nonincumbent candidate shall retain such records and materials for a period starting from the date of the designation of the campaign depository for the campaign through July 1 of the year immediately following the year of the election. The treasurer for incumbent candidates shall retain such records and materials for a period starting from the date that the incumbent was sworn into office for the term being served at the time of the election through July 1 of the year immediately following the year of the election. The treasurer shall make such records and materials available to the Department or its designee upon request pursuant to the provisions of § 24.2-948.5.~~

~~G. F.~~ It shall be unlawful for any candidate, his treasurer, or any person receiving contributions or making expenditures on a candidate's behalf or in relation to his candidacy, to fail to report every contribution and expenditure as required by this article.

2. That § 24.2-948.5 of the Code of Virginia is repealed.

3. That the second enactment clause of Chapter 258 of the 2022 Acts of Assembly is repealed."

Page 668, line 30, strike "8." and insert "9."

Page 668, line 31, strike "9." and insert "10."

Page 668, line 31, after "third," strike "and"

Page 668, line 31, after "fourth" insert ", and eighth".

Explanation:

(This amendment repeals Chapter 258 of the 2022 Acts of Assembly.)

Effective Date

Effective Date

Language

Language:

Page 653, strike lines 32 through 47.

Page 654, strike lines 1 through 52.

Page 655, strike lines 1 through 55.

Page 656, strike lines 1 through 53.

Page 657, strike lines 1 through 8.

Page 657, line 9, strike "3." and insert "2."

Page 657, line 9, after "§§" insert "**58.301**, "

Page 657, line 9, after "**58.1-390.3**" insert ", **58.1-402**".

Page 657, after line 10, insert:

"§ 58.1-301. Conformity to Internal Revenue Code.

A. Any term used in this chapter shall have the same meaning as when used in a comparable context in the laws of the United States relating to federal income taxes, unless a different meaning is clearly required.

B. Any reference in this chapter to the laws of the United States relating to federal income taxes shall mean the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, and amendments thereto, and other provisions of the laws of the United States relating to federal income taxes *as they existed on December 31, 2025, and any amendment thereafter that extends the expiration date of a federal tax provision to which Virginia conforms or has previously conformed*, except for:

1. The special depreciation allowance for certain property provided for under §§ 168(k), 168(l), 168(m), 168(n), 1400L, and 1400N of the Internal Revenue Code;
2. The carry-back of certain net operating losses for five years under § 172(b)(1)(H) of the Internal Revenue Code;
3. The original issue discount on applicable high yield discount obligations under § 163(e)(5)(F) of the Internal Revenue Code;
4. The deferral of certain income under § 108(i) of the Internal Revenue Code. For Virginia income tax purposes, income from the discharge of indebtedness in connection with the reacquisition of an "applicable debt instrument" (as defined under § 108(i) of the Internal Revenue Code) reacquired in the taxable year shall be fully included in the taxpayer's Virginia taxable income for the taxable year, unless the taxpayer elects to include such income in the taxpayer's Virginia taxable income ratably over a three-taxable-year period beginning with taxable year 2009 for transactions completed in taxable year 2009, or over a three-taxable-year period beginning with taxable year 2010 for transactions completed in taxable year 2010 on or before April 21, 2010. For purposes of such election, all other provisions of § 108(i) of the Internal Revenue Code shall apply mutatis mutandis. No other deferral shall be allowed for income from the discharge of indebtedness in connection with the reacquisition of an "applicable debt instrument";

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- ~~5. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2019, the suspension of the overall limitation on itemized deductions under § 68(f) of the Internal Revenue Code. The limitation on itemized deductions, which shall be the limitation contained in § 68 of the Internal Revenue Code as it existed before the passage of the federal Budget Reconciliation Act, P.L. 119-21 (2025), and without regard to § 68(f) of the Internal Revenue Code;~~
6. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2017, but before January 1, 2018, and for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2019, the 7.5 percent of federal adjusted gross income threshold set forth in § 213(a) of the Internal Revenue Code that is used for purposes of computing the deduction allowed for expenses for medical care pursuant to § 213 of the Internal Revenue Code. For such taxable years, the threshold utilized for Virginia income tax purposes to compute the deduction allowed for expenses for medical care pursuant to § 213 of the Internal Revenue Code shall be 10 percent of federal adjusted gross income;
7. The provisions of §§ 2303(a) and 2303(b) of the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, P.L. 116-136 (2020), related to the net operating loss limitation and carryback;
8. The provisions of § 2304(a) of the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, P.L. 116-136 (2020), related to a loss limitation applicable to taxpayers other than corporations;
9. The provisions of § 2306 of the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, P.L. 116-136 (2020), related to the limitation on business interest;
10. For taxable years beginning before January 1, 2021, the provisions of §§ 276(a), 276(b)(2), 276(b)(3), 278(a)(2), 278(a)(3), 278(b)(2), 278(b)(3), 278(c)(2), 278(c)(3), 278(d)(2), and 278(d)(3) of the federal Consolidated Appropriations Act, P.L. 116-260 (2020), and §§ 9672(2), 9672(3), 9673(2), and 9673(3) of the federal American Rescue Plan Act, P.L. 117-2 (2021) related to deductions, tax attributes, and basis increases for certain loan forgiveness and other business financial assistance; ~~and~~
- ~~11. a. (1) Any amendment enacted on or after January 1, 2023, with a projected impact that would increase or decrease general fund revenues by greater than \$15 million in the fiscal year in which the amendment was enacted or any of the succeeding four fiscal years. The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to any amendment to federal income tax law that is either subsequently adopted by the General Assembly or a federal tax extender as defined in subdivision b.~~
~~(2) All amendments enacted on or after January 1, 2023, and occurring between adjournment sine die of the previous regular session of the General Assembly and the first day of the subsequent regular session of the General Assembly if the cumulative projected impact of such amendments would increase or decrease general fund revenues by greater than \$75 million in the fiscal year in which the amendments were enacted or any of the succeeding four fiscal years. The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to any amendment to federal income tax law that is (i) subsequently adopted by the General Assembly, (ii) a federal tax extender as defined~~

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~~in subdivision b, or (iii) enacted before the date on which the cumulative projected impact is met. However, any amendment conformed to pursuant to clause (iii) shall be included in the calculation of the \$75 million threshold for purposes of determining whether such threshold has been met.~~

~~(3) Beginning January 1, 2024, the threshold provided by subdivision (1) shall be adjusted annually based on the preceding change in the Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U), as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics for the U.S. Department of Labor or any successor index for the previous year.~~

~~b. For purposes of this subdivision 11, "amendment" means a single amendment to federal income tax law or a group of such amendments enacted in the same act of Congress that collectively surpass the threshold impact, and "federal tax extender" means an amendment to federal tax law that extends the expiration date of a federal tax provision to which Virginia conforms or has previously conformed.~~

~~c. The Secretary of Finance, in consultation with the Chairmen of the Senate Committee on Finance and Appropriations and the House Committees on Appropriations and Finance, shall be responsible for determining whether the criteria of subdivision a are met.~~

~~d. The Secretary of Finance shall annually provide a report on or before November 15 of each year on the fiscal impact of amendments to federal income tax law occurring since the adjournment sine die of the preceding regular session of the General Assembly to the Chairmen of the Senate Committee on Finance and Appropriations and the House Committees on Appropriations and Finance. The Secretary of Finance shall also provide updates to the same Chairmen on any further amendments to federal income tax law occurring between submission of the required report and the first day of the subsequent regular session of the General Assembly. The provisions of § 70302 of the federal Budget Reconciliation Act, P.L. 119-21 (2025), relating to the expensing and amortization of research and experimental expenditures. Such research and experimental expenditures shall continue to be subject to the applicable amortization period; and~~

12. The provisions of § 70306 of the federal Budget Reconciliation Act, P.L. 119-21 (2025), relating to the increased dollar limitations for expensing of certain depreciable business assets.

C. The Department of Taxation is hereby authorized to develop procedures or guidelines for implementation of the provisions of this section, which procedures or guidelines shall be exempt from the provisions of the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.)."

Page 657, strike lines 11 through 52.

Page 658, strike lines 1 through 56.

Page 659, strikes lines 1 through 35, and insert:

"§ 58.1-322.03. Virginia taxable income; deductions.

In computing Virginia taxable income pursuant to § 58.1-322, there shall be deducted from Virginia adjusted gross income as defined in § 58.1-321:

1. a. The amount allowable for itemized deductions for federal income tax purposes where the

taxpayer has elected for the taxable year to itemize deductions on his federal return, but reduced by the amount of income taxes imposed by the Commonwealth or any other taxing jurisdiction and deducted on such federal return and increased by an amount that, when added to the amount deducted under § 170 of the Internal Revenue Code for mileage, results in a mileage deduction at the state level for such purposes at a rate of 18 cents per mile; or

b. Provided that the taxpayer has not itemized deductions for the taxable year on his federal income tax return: (i) for taxable years beginning before January 1, 2019, ~~and on and after January 1, 2027~~, \$3,000 for single individuals and \$6,000 for married persons (one-half of such amounts in the case of a married individual filing a separate return); (ii) for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2019, but before January 1, 2022, \$4,500 for single individuals and \$9,000 for married persons (one-half of such amounts in the case of a married individual filing a separate return); (iii) for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2022, but before January 1, 2024, \$8,000 for single individuals and \$16,000 for married persons (one-half of such amounts in the case of a married individual filing a separate return); (iv) for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2024, but before January 1, 2025, \$8,500 for single individuals and \$17,000 for married persons (one-half of such amounts in the case of a married individual filing a separate return); and (v) for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2025, ~~but before January 1, 2027~~, \$8,750 for single individuals and \$17,500 for married persons (one-half of such amounts in the case of a married individual filing a separate return). For purposes of this section, any person who may be claimed as a dependent on another taxpayer's return for the taxable year may compute the deduction only with respect to earned income.

2. a. A deduction in the amount of \$930 for each personal exemption allowable to the taxpayer for federal income tax purposes.

b. Each blind or aged taxpayer as defined under § 63(f) of the Internal Revenue Code shall be entitled to an additional personal exemption in the amount of \$800.

The additional deduction for blind or aged taxpayers allowed under this subdivision shall be allowable regardless of whether the taxpayer itemizes deductions for the taxable year for federal income tax purposes.

3. A deduction equal to the amount of employment-related expenses upon which the federal credit is based under § 21 of the Internal Revenue Code for expenses for household and dependent care services necessary for gainful employment.

4. An additional \$1,000 deduction for each child residing for the entire taxable year in a home under permanent foster care placement as defined in § 63.2-908, provided that the taxpayer can also claim the child as a personal exemption under § 151 of the Internal Revenue Code.

5. a. A deduction in the amount of \$12,000 for individuals born on or before January 1, 1939.

b. A deduction in the amount of \$12,000 for individuals born after January 1, 1939, who have attained the age of 65. This deduction shall be reduced by \$1 for every \$1 that the taxpayer's adjusted federal adjusted gross income exceeds \$50,000 for single taxpayers or \$75,000 for

married taxpayers. For married taxpayers filing separately, the deduction shall be reduced by \$1 for every \$1 that the total combined adjusted federal adjusted gross income of both spouses exceeds \$75,000.

For the purposes of this subdivision, "adjusted federal adjusted gross income" means federal adjusted gross income minus any benefits received under Title II of the Social Security Act and other benefits subject to federal income taxation solely pursuant to § 86 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended.

6. The amount an individual pays as a fee for an initial screening to become a possible bone marrow donor, if (i) the individual is not reimbursed for such fee or (ii) the individual has not claimed a deduction for the payment of such fee on his federal income tax return.

7. a. A deduction shall be allowed to the purchaser or contributor for the amount paid or contributed during the taxable year for a prepaid tuition contract or college savings trust account entered into with the Commonwealth Savers Plan, pursuant to Chapter 7 (§ 23.1-700 et seq.) of Title 23.1. Except as provided in subdivision b, the amount deducted on any individual income tax return in any taxable year shall be limited to \$4,000 per prepaid tuition contract or college savings trust account. No deduction shall be allowed pursuant to this subdivision 7 if such payments or contributions are deducted on the purchaser's or contributor's federal income tax return. If the purchase price or annual contribution to a college savings trust account exceeds \$4,000, the remainder may be carried forward and subtracted in future taxable years until the purchase price or college savings trust contribution has been fully deducted; however, except as provided in subdivision b, in no event shall the amount deducted in any taxable year exceed \$4,000 per contract or college savings trust account. Notwithstanding the statute of limitations on assessments contained in § 58.1-312, any deduction taken hereunder shall be subject to recapture in the taxable year or years in which distributions or refunds are made for any reason other than (i) to pay qualified higher education expenses, as defined in § 529 of the Internal Revenue Code or (ii) the beneficiary's death, disability, or receipt of a scholarship. For the purposes of this subdivision, "purchaser" or "contributor" means the person shown as such on the records of the Commonwealth Savers Plan as of December 31 of the taxable year. In the case of a transfer of ownership of a prepaid tuition contract or college savings trust account, the transferee shall succeed to the transferor's tax attributes associated with a prepaid tuition contract or college savings trust account, including, but not limited to, carryover and recapture of deductions.

b. A purchaser of a prepaid tuition contract or contributor to a college savings trust account who has attained age 70 shall not be subject to the limitation that the amount of the deduction not exceed \$4,000 per prepaid tuition contract or college savings trust account in any taxable year. Such taxpayer shall be allowed a deduction for the full amount paid for the contract or contributed to a college savings trust account, less any amounts previously deducted.

8. The total amount an individual actually contributed in funds to the Virginia Public School Construction Grants Program and Fund, established in Chapter 11.1 (§ 22.1-175.1 et seq.) of Title 22.1, provided that the individual has not claimed a deduction for such amount on his

federal income tax return.

9. An amount equal to 20 percent of the tuition costs incurred by an individual employed as a primary or secondary school teacher licensed pursuant to Chapter 15 (§ 22.1-289.1 et seq.) of Title 22.1 to attend continuing teacher education courses that are required as a condition of employment; however, the deduction provided by this subdivision shall be available only if (i) the individual is not reimbursed for such tuition costs and (ii) the individual has not claimed a deduction for the payment of such tuition costs on his federal income tax return.

10. The amount an individual pays annually in premiums for long-term health care insurance, provided that the individual has not claimed a deduction for federal income tax purposes, or, for taxable years beginning before January 1, 2014, a credit under § 58.1-339.11. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2014, no such deduction for long-term health care insurance premiums paid by the individual during the taxable year shall be allowed if the individual has claimed a federal income tax deduction for such taxable year for long-term health care insurance premiums paid by him.

11. Contract payments to a producer of quota tobacco or a tobacco quota holder, or their spouses, as provided under the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004 (P.L. 108-357), but only to the extent that such payments have not been subtracted pursuant to subsection D of § 58.1-402, as follows:

a. If the payment is received in installment payments, then the recognized gain may be subtracted in the taxable year immediately following the year in which the installment payment is received.

b. If the payment is received in a single payment, then 10 percent of the recognized gain may be subtracted in the taxable year immediately following the year in which the single payment is received. The taxpayer may then deduct an equal amount in each of the nine succeeding taxable years.

12. An amount equal to 20 percent of the sum paid by an individual pursuant to Chapter 6 (§ 58.1-600 et seq.), not to exceed \$500 in each taxable year, in purchasing for his own use the following items of tangible personal property: (i) any clothes washers, room air conditioners, dishwashers, and standard size refrigerators that meet or exceed the applicable energy star efficiency requirements developed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy; (ii) any fuel cell that (a) generates electricity using an electrochemical process, (b) has an electricity-only generation efficiency greater than 35 percent, and (c) has a generating capacity of at least two kilowatts; (iii) any gas heat pump that has a coefficient of performance of at least 1.25 for heating and at least 0.70 for cooling; (iv) any electric heat pump hot water heater that yields an energy factor of at least 1.7; (v) any electric heat pump that has a heating system performance factor of at least 8.0 and a cooling seasonal energy efficiency ratio of at least 13.0; (vi) any central air conditioner that has a cooling seasonal energy efficiency ratio of at least 13.5; (vii) any advanced gas or oil water heater that has an energy factor of at least 0.65; (viii) any advanced oil-fired boiler with a minimum annual fuel-utilization rating of 85; (ix) any advanced oil-fired furnace with a minimum annual fuel-utilization rating of 85; and

(x) programmable thermostats.

13. The lesser of \$5,000 or the amount actually paid by a living donor of an organ or other living tissue for unreimbursed out-of-pocket expenses directly related to the donation that arose within 12 months of such donation, provided that the donor has not taken a medical deduction in accordance with the provisions of § 213 of the Internal Revenue Code for such expenses. The deduction may be taken in the taxable year in which the donation is made or the taxable year in which the 12-month period expires.

14. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2013, the amount an individual age 66 or older with earned income of at least \$20,000 for the year and federal adjusted gross income not in excess of \$30,000 for the year pays annually in premiums for (i) a prepaid funeral insurance policy covering the individual or (ii) medical or dental insurance for any person for whom individual tax filers may claim a deduction for such premiums under federal income tax laws. As used in this subdivision, "earned income" means the same as that term is defined in § 32(c) of the Internal Revenue Code. The deduction shall not be allowed for any portion of such premiums paid for which the individual has (a) been reimbursed, (b) claimed a deduction for federal income tax purposes, (c) claimed a deduction or subtraction under another provision of this section, or (d) claimed a federal income tax credit or any income tax credit pursuant to this chapter.

15. Business interest disallowed as a deduction pursuant to § 163(j) of the Internal Revenue Code:

a. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2018, but before January 1, 2022, 20 percent of such disallowed business interest;

b. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2022, but before January 1, 2024, 30 percent of such disallowed business interest;

c. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2024, but before January 1, 2025, 50 percent of such disallowed business interest; *and*

d. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2025, 20 percent of such disallowed business interest.

For purposes of subdivision 15, "business interest" means the same as that term is defined under § 163(j) of the Internal Revenue Code.

16. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2019, the actual amount of real and personal property taxes imposed by the Commonwealth or any other taxing jurisdiction not otherwise deducted solely on account of the dollar limitation imposed on individual deductions by § 164(b)(6)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code.

17. For taxable years beginning before January 1, 2021, up to \$100,000 of the amount that is not deductible when computing federal adjusted gross income solely on account of the portion of subdivision B 10 of § 58.1-301 related to Paycheck Protection Program loans.

18. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2022, but before January 1, 2025, *and*

for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2026, the lesser of \$500 or the actual amount paid or incurred for eligible educator qualifying expenses. For purposes of this subdivision, "eligible educator" means an individual who for at least 900 hours during the taxable year in which the credit under this section is claimed served as a teacher licensed pursuant to Chapter 15 (§ 22.1-289.1 et seq.) of Title 22.1, instructor, student counselor, principal, special needs personnel, or student aide serving accredited public or private primary and secondary school students in Virginia, and "qualifying expenses" means 100 percent of the amount paid or incurred by an eligible educator during the taxable year for participation in professional development courses and the purchase of books, supplies, computer equipment (including related software and services), other educational and teaching equipment, and supplementary materials used directly in that individual's service to students as an eligible educator, provided that such purchases were neither reimbursed nor claimed as a deduction on the eligible educator's federal income tax return for such taxable year.

19. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2026, the amount paid or cost incurred for installing a qualifying upgrade required to interconnect a triggering project. No deduction shall be allowed under this section for a taxpayer who has claimed a deduction under subsection I of § 58.1-402 for the same amount paid or cost incurred to install such qualifying upgrade.

For purposes of this subdivision, "qualifying upgrade" and "triggering project" have the same meanings as provided for those terms in § 56-596.5."

Page 661, after line 37, insert:

"§ 58.1-402. Virginia taxable income.

A. For purposes of this article, Virginia taxable income for a taxable year means the federal taxable income and any other income taxable to the corporation under federal law for such year of a corporation adjusted as provided in subsections B, C, D, E, G, H, and I.

For a regulated investment company and a real estate investment trust, such term means the "investment company taxable income" and "real estate investment trust taxable income," respectively, to which shall be added in each case any amount of capital gains and any other income taxable to the corporation under federal law which shall be further adjusted as provided in subsections B, C, D, E, G, H, and I.

B. There shall be added to the extent excluded from federal taxable income:

1. Interest, less related expenses to the extent not deducted in determining federal taxable income, on obligations of any state other than Virginia, or of a political subdivision of any such other state unless created by compact or agreement to which the Commonwealth is a party;

2. Interest or dividends, less related expenses to the extent not deducted in determining federal taxable income, on obligations or securities of any authority, commission or instrumentality of the United States, which the laws of the United States exempt from federal income tax but not from state income taxes;

3. [Repealed.]

4. The amount of any net income taxes and other taxes, including franchise and excise taxes,

which are based on, measured by, or computed with reference to net income, imposed by the Commonwealth or any other taxing jurisdiction, to the extent deducted in determining federal taxable income;

5. Unrelated business taxable income as defined by § 512 of the Internal Revenue Code;

6. [Repealed.]

7. The amount required to be included in income for the purpose of computing the partial tax on an accumulation distribution pursuant to § 667 of the Internal Revenue Code;

8. a. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2004, the amount of any intangible expenses and costs directly or indirectly paid, accrued, or incurred to, or in connection directly or indirectly with one or more direct or indirect transactions with one or more related members to the extent such expenses and costs were deductible or deducted in computing federal taxable income for Virginia purposes. This addition shall not be required for any portion of the intangible expenses and costs if one of the following applies:

(1) The corresponding item of income received by the related member is subject to a tax based on or measured by net income or capital imposed by Virginia, another state, or a foreign government that has entered into a comprehensive tax treaty with the United States government;

(2) The related member derives at least one-third of its gross revenues from the licensing of intangible property to parties who are not related members, and the transaction giving rise to the expenses and costs between the corporation and the related member was made at rates and terms comparable to the rates and terms of agreements that the related member has entered into with parties who are not related members for the licensing of intangible property; or

(3) The corporation can establish to the satisfaction of the Tax Commissioner that the intangible expenses and costs meet both of the following: (i) the related member during the same taxable year directly or indirectly paid, accrued or incurred such portion to a person who is not a related member, and (ii) the transaction giving rise to the intangible expenses and costs between the corporation and the related member did not have as a principal purpose the avoidance of any portion of the tax due under this chapter.

b. A corporation required to add to its federal taxable income intangible expenses and costs pursuant to subdivision a may petition the Tax Commissioner, after filing the related income tax return for the taxable year and remitting to the Tax Commissioner all taxes, penalties, and interest due under this article for such taxable year including tax upon any amount of intangible expenses and costs required to be added to federal taxable income pursuant to subdivision a, to consider evidence relating to the transaction or transactions between the corporation and a related member or members that resulted in the corporation's taxable income being increased, as required under subdivision a, for such intangible expenses and costs.

If the corporation can demonstrate to the Tax Commissioner's sole satisfaction, by clear and convincing evidence, that the transaction or transactions between the corporation and a related member or members resulting in such increase in taxable income pursuant to subdivision a had a valid business purpose other than the avoidance or reduction of the tax due under this chapter,

the Tax Commissioner shall permit the corporation to file an amended return. For purposes of such amended return, the requirements of subdivision a shall not apply to any transaction for which the Tax Commissioner is satisfied (and has identified) that the transaction had a valid business purpose other than the avoidance or reduction of the tax due under this chapter. Such amended return shall be filed by the corporation within one year of the written permission granted by the Tax Commissioner and any refund of the tax imposed under this article shall include interest at a rate equal to the rate of interest established under § 58.1-15 and such interest shall accrue as provided under § 58.1-1833. However, upon the filing of such amended return, any related member of the corporation that subtracted from taxable income amounts received pursuant to subdivision C 21 shall be subject to the tax imposed under this article on that portion of such amounts for which the corporation has filed an amended return pursuant to this subdivision. In addition, for such transactions identified by the Tax Commissioner herein by which he has been satisfied by clear and convincing evidence, the Tax Commissioner may permit the corporation in filing income tax returns for subsequent taxable years to deduct the related intangible expenses and costs without making the adjustment under subdivision a.

The Tax Commissioner may charge a fee for all direct and indirect costs relating to the review of any petition pursuant to this subdivision, to include costs necessary to secure outside experts in evaluating the petition. The Tax Commissioner may condition the review of any petition pursuant to this subdivision upon payment of such fee.

No suit for the purpose of contesting any action of the Tax Commissioner under this subdivision shall be maintained in any court of this Commonwealth.

c. Nothing in subdivision B 8 shall be construed to limit or negate the Department's authority under § 58.1-446;

9. a. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2004, the amount of any interest expenses and costs directly or indirectly paid, accrued, or incurred to, or in connection directly or indirectly with one or more direct or indirect transactions with one or more related members to the extent such expenses and costs were deductible or deducted in computing federal taxable income for Virginia purposes. This addition shall not be required for any portion of the interest expenses and costs, if:

(1) The related member has substantial business operations relating to interest-generating activities, in which the related member pays expenses for at least five full-time employees who maintain, manage, defend or are otherwise responsible for operations or administration relating to the interest-generating activities; and

(2) The interest expenses and costs are not directly or indirectly for, related to or in connection with the direct or indirect acquisition, maintenance, management, sale, exchange, or disposition of intangible property; and

(3) The transaction giving rise to the expenses and costs between the corporation and the related member has a valid business purpose other than the avoidance or reduction of taxation and payments between the parties are made at arm's length rates and terms; and

(4) One of the following applies:

(i) The corresponding item of income received by the related member is subject to a tax based on or measured by net income or capital imposed by Virginia, another state, or a foreign government that has entered into a comprehensive tax treaty with the United States government;

(ii) Payments arise pursuant to a pre-existing contract entered into when the parties were not related members provided the payments continue to be made at arm's length rates and terms;

(iii) The related member engages in transactions with parties other than related members that generate revenue in excess of \$2 million annually; or

(iv) The transaction giving rise to the interest payments between the corporation and a related member was done at arm's length rates and terms and meets any of the following: (a) the related member uses funds that are borrowed from a party other than a related member or that are paid, incurred or passed-through to a person who is not a related member; (b) the debt is part of a regular and systematic funds management or portfolio investment activity conducted by the related member, whereby the funds of two or more related members are aggregated for the purpose of achieving economies of scale, the internal financing of the active business operations of members, or the benefit of centralized management of funds; (c) financing the expansion of the business operations; or (d) restructuring the debt of related members, or the pass-through of acquisition-related indebtedness to related members.

b. A corporation required to add to its federal taxable income interest expenses and costs pursuant to subdivision a may petition the Tax Commissioner, after filing the related income tax return for the taxable year and remitting to the Tax Commissioner all taxes, penalties, and interest due under this article for such taxable year including tax upon any amount of interest expenses and costs required to be added to federal taxable income pursuant to subdivision a, to consider evidence relating to the transaction or transactions between the corporation and a related member or members that resulted in the corporation's taxable income being increased, as required under subdivision a, for such interest expenses and costs.

If the corporation can demonstrate to the Tax Commissioner's sole satisfaction, by clear and convincing evidence, that the transaction or transactions between the corporation and a related member or members resulting in such increase in taxable income pursuant to subdivision a had a valid business purpose other than the avoidance or reduction of the tax due under this chapter and that the related payments between the parties were made at arm's length rates and terms, the Tax Commissioner shall permit the corporation to file an amended return. For purposes of such amended return, the requirements of subdivision a shall not apply to any transaction for which the Tax Commissioner is satisfied (and has identified) that the transaction had a valid business purpose other than the avoidance or reduction of the tax due under this chapter and that the related payments between the parties were made at arm's length rates and terms. Such amended return shall be filed by the corporation within one year of the written permission granted by the Tax Commissioner and any refund of the tax imposed under this article shall include interest at a rate equal to the rate of interest established under § 58.1-15 and such interest shall accrue as provided under § 58.1-1833. However, upon the filing of such amended return, any related

member of the corporation that subtracted from taxable income amounts received pursuant to subdivision C 21 shall be subject to the tax imposed under this article on that portion of such amounts for which the corporation has filed an amended return pursuant to this subdivision. In addition, for such transactions identified by the Tax Commissioner herein by which he has been satisfied by clear and convincing evidence, the Tax Commissioner may permit the corporation in filing income tax returns for subsequent taxable years to deduct the related interest expenses and costs without making the adjustment under subdivision a.

The Tax Commissioner may charge a fee for all direct and indirect costs relating to the review of any petition pursuant to this subdivision, to include costs necessary to secure outside experts in evaluating the petition. The Tax Commissioner may condition the review of any petition pursuant to this subdivision upon payment of such fee.

No suit for the purpose of contesting any action of the Tax Commissioner under this subdivision shall be maintained in any court of this Commonwealth.

c. Nothing in subdivision B 9 shall be construed to limit or negate the Department's authority under § 58.1-446.

d. For purposes of subdivision B 9:

"Arm's-length rates and terms" means that (i) two or more related members enter into a written agreement for the transaction, (ii) such agreement is of a duration and contains payment terms substantially similar to those that the related member would be able to obtain from an unrelated entity, (iii) the interest is at or below the applicable federal rate compounded annually for debt instruments under § 1274(d) of the Internal Revenue Code that was in effect at the time of the agreement, and (iv) the borrower or payor adheres to the payment terms of the agreement governing the transaction or any amendments thereto.

"Valid business purpose" means one or more business purposes that alone or in combination constitute the motivation for some business activity or transaction, which activity or transaction improves, apart from tax effects, the economic position of the taxpayer, as further defined by regulation.

10. a. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2009, the amount of dividends deductible under §§ 561 and 857 of the Internal Revenue Code by a Captive Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT). For purposes of this subdivision, a REIT is a Captive REIT if: (1) It is not regularly traded on an established securities market;

(2) More than 50 percent of the voting power or value of beneficial interests or shares of which, at any time during the last half of the taxable year, is owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by a single entity that is (i) a corporation or an association taxable as a corporation under the Internal Revenue Code; and (ii) not exempt from federal income tax pursuant to § 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code; and

(3) More than 25 percent of its income consists of rents from real property as defined in § 856(d) of the Internal Revenue Code.

b. For purposes of applying the ownership test of subdivision 10 a (2), the following entities shall not be considered a corporation or an association taxable as a corporation:

(1) Any REIT that is not treated as a Captive REIT;

(2) Any REIT subsidiary under § 856 of the Internal Revenue Code other than a qualified REIT subsidiary of a Captive REIT;

(3) Any Listed Australian Property Trust, or an entity organized as a trust, provided that a Listed Australian Property Trust owns or controls, directly or indirectly, 75 percent or more of the voting or value of the beneficial interests or shares of such trust; and

(4) Any Qualified Foreign Entity.

c. For purposes of subdivision B 10, the constructive ownership rules prescribed under § 318(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, as modified by § 856(d)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code, shall apply in determining the ownership of stock, assets, or net profits of any person.

d. For purposes of subdivision B 10:

"Listed Australian Property Trust" means an Australian unit trust registered as a Management Investment Scheme, pursuant to the Australian Corporations Act, in which the principal class of units is listed on a recognized stock exchange in Australia and is regularly traded on an established securities market.

"Qualified Foreign Entity" means a corporation, trust, association or partnership organized outside the laws of the United States and that satisfies all of the following criteria:

(1) At least 75 percent of the entity's total asset value at the close of its taxable year is represented by real estate assets, as defined in § 856(c)(5)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code, thereby including shares or certificates of beneficial interest in any REIT, cash and cash equivalents, and U.S. Government securities;

(2) The entity is not subject to a tax on amounts distributed to its beneficial owners, or is exempt from entity level tax;

(3) The entity distributes, on an annual basis, at least 85 percent of its taxable income, as computed in the jurisdiction in which it is organized, to the holders of its shares or certificates of beneficial interest;

(4) The shares or certificates of beneficial interest of such entity are regularly traded on an established securities market or, if not so traded, not more than 10 percent of the voting power or value in such entity is held directly, indirectly, or constructively by a single entity or individual; and

(5) The entity is organized in a country that has a tax treaty with the United States.

e. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2016, for purposes of subdivision B 10, any voting power or value of the beneficial interests or shares in a REIT that is held in a segregated asset account of a life insurance corporation as described in § 817 of the Internal Revenue Code shall not be taken into consideration when determining if such REIT is a Captive

REIT.

11. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2016, to the extent that tax credit is allowed for the same donation pursuant to § 58.1-439.12:12, any amount claimed as a federal income tax deduction for such donation under § 170 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended or renumbered.

C. There shall be subtracted to the extent included in and not otherwise subtracted from federal taxable income:

1. Income derived from obligations, or on the sale or exchange of obligations, of the United States and on obligations or securities of any authority, commission or instrumentality of the United States to the extent exempt from state income taxes under the laws of the United States including, but not limited to, stocks, bonds, treasury bills, and treasury notes, but not including interest on refunds of federal taxes, interest on equipment purchase contracts, or interest on other normal business transactions.

2. Income derived from obligations, or on the sale or exchange of obligations of this Commonwealth or of any political subdivision or instrumentality of this Commonwealth.

3. Dividends upon stock in any domestic international sales corporation, as defined by § 992 of the Internal Revenue Code, 50 percent or more of the income of which was assessable for the preceding year, or the last year in which such corporation has income, under the provisions of the income tax laws of the Commonwealth.

4. The amount of any refund or credit for overpayment of income taxes imposed by this Commonwealth or any other taxing jurisdiction.

5. Any amount included therein by the operation of the provisions of § 78 of the Internal Revenue Code (foreign dividend gross-up).

6. The amount of wages or salaries eligible for the federal Targeted Jobs Credit which was not deducted for federal purposes on account of the provisions of § 280C(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

7. Any amount included therein by the operation of § 951 of the Internal Revenue Code (subpart F income) or, for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2018, § 951A of the Internal Revenue Code (~~Global Intangible Low-Taxed~~ *Net Controlled Foreign Corporation Tested Income*).

8. Any amount included therein which is foreign source income as defined in § 58.1-302.

9. [Repealed.]

10. The amount of any dividends received from corporations in which the taxpaying corporation owns 50 percent or more of the voting stock.

11. [Repealed.]

12, 13. [Expired.]

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14. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1995, the amount for "qualified research expenses" or "basic research expenses" eligible for deduction for federal purposes, but which were not deducted, on account of the provisions of § 280C(c) of the Internal Revenue Code.

15. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2000, the total amount actually contributed in funds to the Virginia Public School Construction Grants Program and Fund established in Chapter 11.1 (§ 22.1-175.1 et seq.) of Title 22.1.

16. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2000, but before January 1, 2015, the gain derived from the sale or exchange of real property or the sale or exchange of an easement to real property which results in the real property or the easement thereto being devoted to open-space use, as that term is defined in § 58.1-3230, for a period of time not less than 30 years. To the extent a subtraction is taken in accordance with this subdivision, no tax credit under this chapter for donating land for its preservation shall be allowed for three years following the year in which the subtraction is taken.

17. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2001, any amount included therein with respect to § 58.1-440.1.

18. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 1999, income received as a result of (i) the "Master Settlement Agreement," as defined in § 3.2-3100; and (ii) the National Tobacco Grower Settlement Trust dated July 19, 1999, by (a) tobacco farming businesses; (b) any business holding a tobacco marketing quota, or tobacco farm acreage allotment, under the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938; or (c) any business having the right to grow tobacco pursuant to such a quota allotment.

19, 20. [Repealed.]

21. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2004, any amount of intangible expenses and costs or interest expenses and costs added to the federal taxable income of a corporation pursuant to subdivision B 8 or B 9 shall be subtracted from the federal taxable income of the related member that received such amount if such related member is subject to Virginia income tax on the same amount.

22. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2009, any gain recognized from the sale of launch services to space flight participants, as defined in 49 U.S.C. § 70102, or launch services intended to provide individuals the training or experience of a launch, without performing an actual launch. To qualify for a deduction under this subdivision, launch services must be performed in Virginia or originate from an airport or spaceport in Virginia.

23. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2009, any gain recognized as a result of resupply services contracts for delivering payload, as defined in 49 U.S.C. § 70102, entered into with the Commercial Orbital Transportation Services division of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration or other space flight entity, as defined in § 8.01-227.8, and launched from an airport or spaceport in Virginia.

24. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011, any income taxed as a long-term

capital gain for federal income tax purposes, or any income taxed as investment services partnership interest income (otherwise known as investment partnership carried interest income) for federal income tax purposes. To qualify for a subtraction under this subdivision, such income must be attributable to an investment in a "qualified business," as defined in § 58.1-339.4, or in any other technology business approved by the Secretary of Administration, provided the business has its principal office or facility in the Commonwealth and less than \$3 million in annual revenues in the fiscal year prior to the investment. To qualify for a subtraction under this subdivision, the investment must be made between the dates of April 1, 2010, and June 30, 2020. No taxpayer who has claimed a tax credit for an investment in a "qualified business" under § 58.1-339.4 shall be eligible for the subtraction under this subdivision for an investment in the same business.

25. a. Income, including investment services partnership interest income (otherwise known as investment partnership carried interest income), attributable to an investment in a Virginia venture capital account. To qualify for a subtraction under this subdivision, the investment shall be made on or after January 1, 2018, but before December 31, 2023. No subtraction shall be allowed under this subdivision for an investment in a company that is owned or operated by an affiliate of the taxpayer. No subtraction shall be allowed under this subdivision for a taxpayer who has claimed a subtraction under subdivision C 24 for the same investment.

b. As used in this subdivision 25:

"Qualified portfolio company" means a company that (i) has its principal place of business in the Commonwealth; (ii) has a primary purpose of production, sale, research, or development of a product or service other than the management or investment of capital; and (iii) provides equity in the company to the Virginia venture capital account in exchange for a capital investment. "Qualified portfolio company" does not include a company that is an individual or sole proprietorship.

"Virginia venture capital account" means an investment fund that has been certified by the Department as a Virginia venture capital account. In order to be certified as a Virginia venture capital account, the operator of the investment fund shall register the investment fund with the Department prior to December 31, 2023, (i) indicating that it intends to invest at least 50 percent of the capital committed to its fund in qualified portfolio companies and (ii) providing documentation that it employs at least one investor who has at least four years of professional experience in venture capital investment or substantially equivalent experience. "Substantially equivalent experience" includes, but is not limited to, an undergraduate degree from an accredited college or university in economics, finance, or a similar field of study. The Department may require an investment fund to provide documentation of the investor's training, education, or experience as deemed necessary by the Department to determine substantial equivalency. If the Department determines that the investment fund employs at least one investor with the experience set forth herein, the Department shall certify the investment fund as a Virginia venture capital account at such time as the investment fund actually invests at least 50 percent of the capital committed to its fund in qualified portfolio companies.

26. a. Income attributable to an investment in a Virginia real estate investment trust. To qualify

for a subtraction under this subdivision, the investment shall be made on or after January 1, 2019, but before December 31, 2024. No subtraction shall be allowed for an investment in a trust that is managed by an affiliate of the taxpayer. No subtraction shall be allowed under this subdivision for a taxpayer who has claimed a subtraction under subdivision C 24 or 25 for the same investment.

b. As used in this subdivision 26:

"Distressed" means satisfying the criteria applicable to a locality described in subdivision E 2 of § 2.2-115.

"Double distressed" means satisfying the criteria applicable to a locality described in subdivision E 3 of § 2.2-115.

"Virginia real estate investment trust" means a real estate investment trust, as defined in 26 U.S.C. § 856, that has been certified by the Department as a Virginia real estate investment trust. In order to be certified as a Virginia real estate investment trust, the trustee shall register the trust with the Department prior to December 31, 2024, indicating that it intends to invest at least 90 percent of trust funds in Virginia and at least 40 percent of trust funds in real estate in localities that are distressed or double distressed. If the Department determines that the trust satisfies the preceding criteria, the Department shall certify the trust as a Virginia real estate investment trust at such time as the trust actually invests at least 90 percent of trust funds in Virginia and at least 40 percent of trust funds in real estate in localities that are distressed or double distressed.

27. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2019, any gain recognized from the taking of real property by condemnation proceedings.

28. For taxable years beginning before January 1, 2021, up to \$100,000 of all grant funds received by the taxpayer under the Rebuild Virginia program established by the Governor and administered by the Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity.

D. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2006, there shall be subtracted from federal taxable income contract payments to a producer of quota tobacco or a tobacco quota holder as provided under the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004 (P.L. 108-357) as follows:

1. If the payment is received in installment payments, then the recognized gain, including any gain recognized in taxable year 2005, may be subtracted in the taxable year immediately following the year in which the installment payment is received.

2. If the payment is received in a single payment, then 10 percent of the recognized gain may be subtracted in the taxable year immediately following the year in which the single payment is received. The taxpayer may then deduct an equal amount in each of the nine succeeding taxable years.

E. Adjustments to federal taxable income shall be made to reflect the transitional modifications provided in § 58.1-315.

F. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the income from any disposition of real property

which is held by the taxpayer for sale to customers in the ordinary course of the taxpayer's trade or business, as defined in § 453(l)(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code, of property made on or after January 1, 2009, may, at the election of the taxpayer, be recognized under the installment method described under § 453 of the Internal Revenue Code, provided that (i) the election relating to the dealer disposition of the property has been made on or before the due date prescribed by law (including extensions) for filing the taxpayer's return of the tax imposed under this chapter for the taxable year in which the disposition occurs, and (ii) the dealer disposition is in accordance with restrictions or conditions established by the Department, which shall be set forth in guidelines developed by the Department. Along with such restrictions or conditions, the guidelines shall also address the recapture of such income under certain circumstances. The development of the guidelines shall be exempt from the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.).

G. There shall be deducted to the extent included in and not otherwise subtracted from federal taxable income a percentage of the business interest disallowed as a deduction pursuant to § 163(j) of the Internal Revenue Code in the amount of:

1. ~~20~~ *Twenty* percent for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2018, but before January 1, 2022;
2. ~~30~~ *Thirty* percent for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2022, but before January 1, 2024; ~~and~~
3. ~~50~~ *Fifty* percent for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2024 , *but before January 1, 2025; and*
4. *Twenty percent for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2025.*

For purposes of subsection G, "business interest" means the same as that term is defined under § 163(j) of the Internal Revenue Code.

H. For taxable years beginning before January 1, 2021, there shall be deducted to the extent not otherwise subtracted from federal taxable income up to \$100,000 of the amount that is not deductible when computing federal taxable income solely on account of the portion of subdivision B 10 of § 58.1-301 related to Paycheck Protection Program loans.

I. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2026, there shall be deducted the amount paid or cost incurred for installing a qualifying upgrade required to interconnect a triggering project. No deduction shall be allowed under this section for a taxpayer who has claimed a deduction under subdivision 19 of § 58.1-322.03 for the same amount paid or cost incurred to install such qualifying upgrade.

For purposes of this subsection, "qualifying upgrade" and "triggering project" have the same meanings as provided for those terms in § 56-596.5.

3. That the provisions of the second enactment shall prevail over any conflicting provisions of the eleventh and twelfth enactments of Chapter 725 of the Acts of Assembly of 2025 notwithstanding § 4-13.00 of Chapter 725 of the Acts of Assembly of 2025, which shall not

be applicable with respect to any such conflict."

Page 661, strike lines 38 through 50.

Page 662, strike lines 1 through 55.

Page 663 strike lines 1 through 56.

Page 664, strike lines 1 through 54, and insert:

"58.1-609.3. Commercial and industrial exemptions.

The tax imposed by this chapter or pursuant to the authority granted in §§ 58.1-605 and 58.1-606 shall not apply to the following:

1. Personal property purchased by a contractor which is used solely in another state or in a foreign country, which could be purchased by such contractor for such use free from sales tax in such other state or foreign country, and which is stored temporarily in Virginia pending shipment to such state or country.

2. (i) Industrial materials for future processing, manufacturing, refining, or conversion into articles of tangible personal property for resale where such industrial materials either enter into the production of or become a component part of the finished product; (ii) industrial materials that are coated upon or impregnated into the product at any stage of its being processed, manufactured, refined, or converted for resale; (iii) machinery or tools or repair parts therefor or replacements thereof, fuel, power, energy, or supplies, used directly in processing, manufacturing, refining, mining or converting products for sale or resale; (iv) materials, containers, labels, sacks, cans, boxes, drums or bags for future use for packaging tangible personal property for shipment or sale; or (v) equipment, printing or supplies used directly to produce a publication described in subdivision 3 of § 58.1-609.6 whether it is ultimately sold at retail or for resale or distribution at no cost. Machinery, tools and equipment, or repair parts therefor or replacements thereof, shall be exempt if the preponderance of their use is directly in processing, manufacturing, refining, mining or converting products for sale or resale. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to the drilling or extraction of oil, gas, natural gas and coalbed methane gas. In addition, the exemption provided herein shall not be applicable to any machinery, tools, and equipment, or any other tangible personal property used by a public service corporation in the generation of electric power, except for raw materials that are inputs to production of electricity, including fuel, or for machinery, tools, and equipment used to generate energy derived from sunlight or wind. The exemption for machinery, tools, and equipment used to generate energy derived from sunlight or wind shall expire June 30, 2027.

3. Tangible personal property sold or leased to a public service corporation engaged in business as a common carrier of property or passengers by railway, for use or consumption by such common carrier directly in the rendition of its public service.

4. Ships or vessels, or repairs and alterations thereof, used or to be used exclusively or principally in interstate or foreign commerce; fuel and supplies for use or consumption aboard ships or vessels plying the high seas, either in intercoastal trade between ports in the Commonwealth and ports in other states of the United States or its territories or possessions, or in foreign commerce between ports in the Commonwealth and ports in foreign countries, when delivered directly to such ships or vessels; or tangible personal property used directly in the

building, conversion or repair of the ships or vessels covered by this subdivision. This exemption shall include dredges, their supporting equipment, attendant vessels, and fuel and supplies for use or consumption aboard such vessels, provided the dredges are used exclusively or principally in interstate or foreign commerce.

5. Tangible personal property purchased for use or consumption directly and exclusively in basic research or research and development in the experimental or laboratory sense.

6. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision 20 of § 58.1-609.10, all tangible personal property sold or leased to an airline operating in intrastate, interstate or foreign commerce as a common carrier providing scheduled air service on a continuing basis to one or more Virginia airports at least one day per week, for use or consumption by such airline directly in the rendition of its common carrier service.

7. Meals furnished by restaurants or food service operators to employees as a part of wages.

8. Tangible personal property including machinery and tools, repair parts or replacements thereof, and supplies and materials used directly in maintaining and preparing textile products for rental or leasing by an industrial processor engaged in the commercial leasing or renting of laundered textile products.

9. Certified pollution control equipment and facilities as defined in § 58.1-3660, except for any equipment that has not been certified to the Department of Taxation by a state certifying authority or subdivision certifying authority pursuant to such section.

10. Parts, tires, meters and dispatch radios sold or leased to taxicab operators for use or consumption directly in the rendition of their services.

11. High speed electrostatic duplicators or any other duplicators which have a printing capacity of 4,000 impressions or more per hour purchased or leased by persons engaged primarily in the printing or photocopying of products for sale or resale.

12. From July 1, 1994, and ending July 1, 2024, raw materials, fuel, power, energy, supplies, machinery or tools or repair parts therefor or replacements thereof, used directly in the drilling, extraction, or processing of natural gas or oil and the reclamation of the well area. For the purposes of this section, the term "natural gas" shall mean "gas," "natural gas," and "coalbed methane gas" as defined in § 45.2-1600. For the purposes of this section, "drilling," "extraction," and "processing" shall include production, inspection, testing, dewatering, dehydration, or distillation of raw natural gas into a usable condition consistent with commercial practices, and the gathering and transportation of raw natural gas to a facility wherein the gas is converted into such a usable condition. Machinery, tools and equipment, or repair parts therefor or replacements thereof, shall be exempt if the preponderance of their use is directly in the drilling, extraction, refining, or processing of natural gas or oil for sale or resale, or in well area reclamation activities required by state or federal law.

13. Beginning July 1, 1997, (i) the sale, lease, use, storage, consumption, or distribution of an orbital or suborbital space facility, space propulsion system, space vehicle, satellite, or space

station of any kind possessing space flight capability, including the components thereof, irrespective of whether such facility, system, vehicle, satellite, or station is returned to this Commonwealth for subsequent use, storage or consumption in any manner when used to conduct spaceport activities; (ii) the sale, lease, use, storage, consumption or distribution of tangible personal property placed on or used aboard any orbital or suborbital space facility, space propulsion system, space vehicle, satellite or space station of any kind, irrespective of whether such tangible personal property is returned to this Commonwealth for subsequent use, storage or consumption in any manner when used to conduct spaceport activities; (iii) fuels of such quality not adapted for use in ordinary vehicles, being produced for, sold and exclusively used for space flight when used to conduct spaceport activities; (iv) the sale, lease, use, storage, consumption or distribution of machinery and equipment purchased, sold, leased, rented or used exclusively for spaceport activities and the sale of goods and services provided to operate and maintain launch facilities, launch equipment, payload processing facilities and payload processing equipment used to conduct spaceport activities.

For purposes of this subdivision, "spaceport activities" means activities directed or sponsored at a facility owned, leased, or operated by or on behalf of the Virginia Commercial Space Flight Authority.

The exemptions provided by this subdivision shall not be denied by reason of a failure, postponement or cancellation of a launch of any orbital or suborbital space facility, space propulsion system, space vehicle, satellite or space station of any kind or the destruction of any launch vehicle or any components thereof.

14. Semiconductor cleanrooms or equipment, fuel, power, energy, supplies, or other tangible personal property used primarily in the integrated process of designing, developing, manufacturing, or testing a semiconductor product, a semiconductor manufacturing process or subprocess, or semiconductor equipment without regard to whether the property is actually contained in or used in a cleanroom environment, touches the product, is used before or after production, or is affixed to or incorporated into real estate.

15. Semiconductor wafers for use or consumption by a semiconductor manufacturer.

16. Railroad rolling stock when sold or leased by the manufacturer thereof.

17. Computer equipment purchased or leased on or before June 30, 2011, used in data centers located in a Virginia locality having an unemployment rate above 4.9 percent for the calendar quarter ending November 2007, for the processing, storage, retrieval, or communication of data, including but not limited to servers, routers, connections, and other enabling hardware when part of a new investment of at least \$75 million in such exempt property, when such investment results in the creation of at least 100 new jobs paying at least twice the prevailing average wage in that locality, so long as such investment was made in accordance with a memorandum of understanding with the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority entered into or amended between January 1, 2008, and December 31, 2008. The exemption shall also apply to any such computer equipment purchased or leased to upgrade, add to, or replace computer equipment purchased or leased in the initial investment. The exemption shall not apply to any

computer software sold separately from the computer equipment, nor shall it apply to general building improvements or fixtures.

18. a. Beginning July 1, 2010, and ending June 30, 2035, except as provided in subdivision *b* or 19, computer equipment or enabling software purchased or leased for the processing, storage, retrieval, or communication of data, including ~~but not limited to~~ servers, routers, connections, and other enabling hardware, including chillers and backup generators used or to be used in the operation of the equipment exempted in this paragraph, provided that such computer equipment or enabling software is purchased or leased for use in a data center, which includes any data center facilities located in the same locality as the data center that are under common ownership or affiliation of the data center operator, that (i) is located in a Virginia locality; (ii) results in a new capital investment on or after January 1, 2009, of at least \$150 million; and (iii) results in the creation on or after July 1, 2009, of at least 50 new jobs by the data center operator and the tenants of the data center, collectively, associated with the operation or maintenance of the data center provided that such jobs pay at least one and one-half times the prevailing average wage in that locality. The requirement of at least 50 new jobs is reduced to 10 new jobs if the data center is located in a distressed locality at the time of the execution of a memorandum of understanding with the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority. Additionally, the requirement of a \$150 million capital investment shall be reduced to \$70 million for data centers that qualify for the reduced jobs requirement.

This exemption applies to the data center operator and the tenants of the data center if they collectively meet the requirements listed in this section. Prior to claiming such exemption, any qualifying person claiming the exemption, including a data center operator on behalf of itself and its tenants, must enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority that at a minimum provides the details for determining the amount of capital investment made and the number of new jobs created, the timeline for achieving the capital investment and new job goals, the repayment obligations should those goals not be achieved, and any conditions under which repayment by the qualifying data center or data center tenant claiming the exemption may be required. *Such memorandum of understanding shall include or, if already in effect prior to July 1, 2027, shall be amended to include the data center operator's method of demonstrating compliance with the requirements of subdivision d.* In addition, the exemption shall apply to any such computer equipment or enabling software purchased or leased to upgrade, supplement, or replace computer equipment or enabling software purchased or leased in the initial investment. The exemption shall not apply to any other computer software otherwise taxable under Chapter 6 of Title 58.1 that is sold or leased separately from the computer equipment, nor shall it apply to general building improvements or other fixtures.

b. A data center operator and the tenants of the data center shall only qualify for this exemption if in addition to meeting all other requirements of this subdivision 18, the data center operator and any such tenants:

(1) Beginning July 1, 2027, do not use co-located generating facilities that emit carbon dioxide, other than backup generators;

(2) Beginning July 1, 2029, contract for energy, capacity, and renewable energy certificates (RECs) from clean energy resources to serve the data center in percentages equal to or greater than the annual percentage that applies to the incumbent utility under subsection C of § 56-585.5, except that the data center operator's or tenants' minimum annual clean energy procurement obligations shall be accelerated by 10 years relative to the incumbent electric utility's annual requirement. If the data center is not located within the certificated service territory of a Phase I or Phase II Utility, as those terms are defined in subdivision A 1 of § 56-585.1, the data center's annual clean energy procurement percentage shall be accelerated by 10 years relative to the percentage applicable to a Phase I Utility under subsection C of § 56-585.5.

Evidence of compliance with the annual clean energy procurement obligation described in this subdivision shall be established by either (i) a certification from the State Corporation Commission that the data center operator or its tenants are an accelerated renewable buyer that purchases energy, capacity, and RECs in sufficient quantity to satisfy the requirement identified in this subdivision or (ii) contracts or other service agreements, redacted as may be necessary to protect commercially sensitive information, that establish the data center operator or its tenants as participating in a voluntary tariff program, approved by the State Corporation Commission, to facilitate large customer procurement of carbon-free and renewable energy generation in a manner that does not impose additional costs on other customers, including ring-fenced, utility-owned resources and sleeved third-party power purchase agreements, to satisfy the percentage requirement identified above;

(3) Except as provided in this subdivision 3, utilize only non-carbon dioxide-emitting backup power sources, such as energy storage resources. For a data center operator or its tenants that use carbon dioxide-emitting backup power sources for some or all of their backup power supply, the exemption shall only be available (i) through January 1, 2035, if such operator or tenants took initial service prior to July 1, 2027, only use carbon dioxide-emitting backup power sources during declared grid emergencies and required testing and maintenance, and have either installed a selective catalytic reduction system on at least one-third of such power generators or at least one-third of such generators meet or exceed the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Tier 4 emissions standards by July 1, 2031, or (ii) if such operator or tenants take initial service on or after July 1, 2027, only use carbon dioxide-emitting backup power sources during declared grid emergencies and required testing and maintenance, and utilize non-carbon dioxide-emitting power sources as their primary backup power source for at least one-third of their contracted demand by January 1, 2030, and 100 percent of their contracted demand by January 1, 2035. The Department may provide an extension of the deadlines set forth in clauses (i) and (ii) if, in its sole discretion, it finds that the data center operator or tenants have taken reasonable efforts to comply with such requirements but require additional time due to supply chain constraints beyond the data center operator's or tenants' control; and

(4) Demonstrate, for any new data center issued a final certificate of occupancy or its equivalent on or after January 1, 2030, or for any data center operator seeking an amended

memorandum of understanding, sufficient investment in environmental management and energy efficiency measures to provide system-wide benefits, as defined herein, including in the methods of reporting and certification of compliance and the maintenance of the environmental management and energy efficiency measures. A data center operator with a memorandum of understanding initially entered into before July 1, 2027, may seek to amend its memorandum of understanding to comply with the requirements of this subdivision b and must do so by July 1, 2028. If such data center operator fails to amend its memorandum of understanding by July 1, 2028, such data center facility shall only be eligible for the exemption through December 31, 2034.

c. For purposes of this subdivision 18, ~~"distressed:~~

"Clean energy resources" means electric generating facilities that are located in the Commonwealth or are physically located within the PJM Interconnection, LLC region, that do not emit carbon dioxide as a byproduct of combusting fuel or manufacturing fuel for combustion to generate electricity, do not include electric generating units utilizing carbon capture and sequestration facilities, and were not in operation prior to July 1, 2020.

"Distressed locality" means:

(1) From July 1, 2021, until July 1, 2023, any locality that had (i) an annual unemployment rate for calendar year 2019 that was greater than the final statewide average unemployment rate for that calendar year and (ii) a poverty rate for calendar year 2019 that exceeded the statewide average poverty rate for that year; and

(2) From and after July 1, 2023, any locality that has (i) an annual unemployment rate for the most recent calendar year for which such data is available that is greater than the final statewide average unemployment rate for that calendar year and (ii) a poverty rate for the most recent calendar year for which such data is available that exceeds the statewide average poverty rate for that year.

"Sufficient investment in environmental management and energy efficiency measures to provide system-wide benefits" means a data center operator has an environmental management system certified under the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 14001 (Environmental Management Systems) or another reasonable environmental management system approved by the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority, in consultation with the Department of Energy, and has met the requirements of one or more of the following sustainable design, energy management, or green building standards: Building Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Methodology (BREEAM) for new construction or BREEAM in-use; Energy Star; ISO 50001; Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED); Green Globes for new construction or Green Globes for existing building; UL 3223; or another comparable standard approved by the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority.

e. d. For so long as a data center operator is claiming an exemption pursuant to this subdivision 18, such operator shall be required to submit an annual report to the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority on behalf of itself and, if applicable, its participating tenants that includes their employment levels, capital investments, average annual wages,

qualifying expenses, and tax benefit, and such other information as the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority determines is relevant, pursuant to procedures developed by the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority. The annual report shall be submitted by the data center operator in a format prescribed by the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority. The Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority shall share all information collected with the Department.

The Department, in collaboration with the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority, shall publish a biennial report on the exemption that shall include aggregate information on qualifying expenses claimed under this exemption, the total value of the tax benefit, a return on investment analysis that includes direct and indirect jobs created by data center investment, state and local tax revenues generated, and any other information the Department and the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority deem appropriate to demonstrate the costs and benefits of the exemption. The report shall not include, and the Department and the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority shall not publish or disclose, any such information if it is unaggregated or if such report or publication could be used to identify a business or individual. The Department shall submit the report to the Chairmen of the Senate Committee on Finance and Appropriations and the House Committees on Appropriations and Finance. The Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority may publish on its website and distribute annual information indicating the job creation and ranges of capital investments made by a data center operator and, if applicable, its participating tenants, in a format to be developed in consultation with data center operators.

19. a. Notwithstanding any provision of subdivision 18 to the contrary, the exemption set forth in subdivision 18 may be extended for the purchase or lease of computer equipment or enabling software by or on behalf of data center operators for use in data centers in the Commonwealth that are under common ownership or affiliation with the data center operator as set forth in this subdivision 19. For purposes of this subdivision 19, a data center operator shall be considered to own a data center if it is operated on behalf of the data center operator pursuant to a long-term lease of at least ten years.

b. To qualify for an extension pursuant to this subdivision 19, a data center operator shall enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority on or after January 1, 2023, that at a minimum provides the details for determining the amount of capital investment made and the number of new jobs created; the locality or localities in which the capital investment shall be made and new jobs shall be created in order to qualify for the extension; and the timeline for making the capital investment and creating the new jobs in each specified locality. *Such memorandum of understanding shall include or, if already in effect prior to July 1, 2027, shall be amended to include the data center operator's method of demonstrating compliance with the requirements of subdivision 18 b.* A data center operator shall only be required to enter into one memorandum of understanding pursuant to this subdivision 19 in order to qualify for the extension pursuant to both subdivisions c and d.

c. If on or after January 1, 2023, but before July 1, 2035, a data center operator that has entered into a memorandum of understanding pursuant to subdivision b (i) makes or causes to be made

a capital investment of at least \$35 billion in data centers in localities identified in a memorandum of understanding and (ii) creates at least 1,000 new full-time jobs, as defined in § 59.1-284.42, at such data centers, of which at least 100 of such jobs shall pay at least one and one-half times the prevailing average wage in the Commonwealth, the data center operator shall be eligible to continue to utilize the exemption set forth in subdivision 18 through June 30, 2040.

d. If on or after January 1, 2023, but before July 1, 2040, a data center operator that has entered into a memorandum of understanding pursuant to subdivision b (i) makes a total capital investment of at least \$100 billion, inclusive of any investment made pursuant to subdivision c, in data centers in the localities identified in such memorandum of understanding and (ii) creates a total of at least 2,500 new full-time jobs, as defined in § 59.1-284.42, at such data centers, of which at least 100 of such jobs shall pay at least one and one-half times the prevailing average wage in the Commonwealth, inclusive of any new full-time jobs created pursuant to subdivision c, the data center operator shall be eligible to utilize the exemption set forth in subdivision 18 through June 30, 2050.

e. The extension provided in this subdivision 19 shall apply to the computer equipment or enabling software purchased or leased for use in the data centers subject to the capital investment and job requirements set forth herein, as well as to any such computer equipment or enabling software purchased or leased to upgrade, supplement, or replace computer equipment or enabling software purchased or leased in the initial investment. The extension shall also apply to any computer equipment or software purchased or leased in data centers under common ownership or affiliation with the data center operator for which the data center operator entered into a memorandum of understanding with the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority to qualify for the exemption set forth in subdivision 18.

f. The reporting requirements set forth in subdivision 18 *and any requirement set forth in subdivision 18 b* shall continue to apply to a data center operator for the duration of any extension granted pursuant to this subdivision 19.

20. If the preponderance of their use is in the manufacture of beer by a brewer licensed pursuant to subdivision 3 or 4 of § 4.1-206.1, (i) machinery, tools, and equipment, or repair parts therefor or replacements thereof, fuel, power, energy, or supplies; (ii) materials for future processing, manufacturing, or conversion into beer where such materials either enter into the production of or become a component part of the beer; and (iii) materials, including containers, labels, sacks, cans, bottles, kegs, boxes, drums, or bags for future use, for packaging the beer for shipment or sale.

21. If the preponderance of their use is in advanced recycling, as defined in § 58.1-439.7, (i) machinery, tools, and equipment, or repair parts therefor or replacements thereof, fuel, power, energy, or supplies; (ii) materials for processing, manufacturing, or conversion for resale where such materials either are recycled or recovered; and (iii) materials, including containers, labels, sacks, cans, boxes, drums, or bags used for packaging recycled or recovered material for shipment or resale."

Committee Approved Amendments to House Bill 30, as Introduced

Page 664, strike lines 55 through 56.

Page 665, strike lines 1 through 51.

Page 666, strike lines 1 through 50.

Page 667, strike lines 1 through 51.

Page 668, strike lines 1 through 29.

Page 668, line 30, strike "8." and insert "4."

Page 668, line 31, strike "9." and insert "5."

Page 668, line 31, strike "third and fourth enactments" and insert "and third enactments".

Explanation:

(This amendment removes tax policy proposals included in the introduced budget.)

Item 4-14 #3h

Effective Date

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Language

Language:

Page 668, after line 29, insert:

"8. That § 8.01-267.6, as it is currently effective and may become effective, is amended and reenacted:

§ 8.01-267.6 Separate trials; special interrogatories.

In any combined action under this chapter, the court, on motion of any party, may order separate or bifurcated trials of any one or more claims, cross-claims, counterclaims, third-party claims, or separate issues, always preserving the right of trial by jury.

Whether joined, coordinated, or consolidated initially pursuant to § 8.01-267.5, by motion, or other order or decree, the court may enter any judgment, order, or decree as to any one or more claimants which shall be final as to that claimant(s) if it disposes of all claim(s) and causes of action(s) brought by that claimant(s) as against all parties. Upon entry of any final judgment, order, or decree as to any one or more claimants, the remaining joined, coordinated, or consolidated matters shall remain pending before the circuit court.

Additionally, the court may submit special interrogatories to the jury to resolve specific issues of fact.

9. That the provisions of the eighth enactment of this act shall be effective beginning on January 1, 2027."

Page 668, line 30, strike "8." and insert "10."

Page 668, line 31, strike "9." and insert "11."

Page 668, line 31, after "third," strike "and".

Page 668, line 31, after "fourth" insert ", eighth, and ninth".

Explanation:

(This amendment amends and reenacts § 8.01-276.6, Code of Virginia, relating to multi-claimant suits.)

Item 4-14 #4h

Effective Date

Effective Date

Language

Language:

Page 668, after line 29, insert:

“8. That §§ 58.1-608.3, 58.1-638, 58.1-3851.1, 58.1-3851.2, and 58.1-3851.3 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 58.1-608.3. Entitlement to certain sales tax revenues.

A. As used in this section, the following words and terms have the following meanings, unless some other meaning is plainly intended:

"Bonds" means any obligations of a municipality for the payment of money.

"Cost," as applied to any public facility or to extensions or additions to any public facility, includes: (i) the purchase price of any public facility acquired by the municipality or the cost of acquiring all of the capital stock of the corporation owning the public facility and the amount to be paid to discharge any obligations in order to vest title to the public facility or any part of it in the municipality; (ii) expenses incident to determining the feasibility or practicability of the public facility; (iii) the cost of plans and specifications, surveys and estimates of costs and of revenues; (iv) the cost of all land, property, rights, easements and franchises acquired; (v) the cost of improvements, property or equipment; (vi) the cost of engineering, legal and other professional services; (vii) the cost of construction or reconstruction; (viii) the cost of all labor, materials, machinery and equipment; (ix) financing charges; (x) interest before and during construction and for up to one year after completion of construction; (xi) start-up costs and operating capital; (xii) payments by a municipality of its share of the cost of any multijurisdictional public facility; (xiii) administrative expense; (xiv) any amounts to be deposited to reserve or replacement funds; and (xv) other expenses as may be necessary or incident to the financing of the public facility. Any obligation or expense incurred by the public facility in connection with any of the foregoing items of cost may be regarded as a part of the cost.

"Municipality" means any county, city, town, authority, commission, or other public entity.

"Public facility" means (i) any auditorium, coliseum, convention center, or conference center, which is owned by a Virginia county, city, town, authority, or other public entity and where exhibits, meetings, conferences, conventions, seminars, or similar public events may be conducted; (ii) any hotel which is owned by a foundation whose sole purpose is to benefit a

baccalaureate public institution of higher education in the Commonwealth and which is attached to and is an integral part of such facility, together with any lands reasonably necessary for the conduct of the operation of such events; (iii) any hotel which is attached to and is an integral part of such facility; (iv) any hotel that is adjacent to a convention center owned by a public entity and where the hotel owner enters into a public-private partnership whereby the locality contributes infrastructure, real property, or conference space; (v) a sports complex consisting of a minor league baseball stadium and related tournament, training, and parking facilities, where a municipality owns a component of the sports complex; or (vi) any outdoor amphitheater, provided that a locality owns, wholly or partly, and contributes to financing the construction of such amphitheater. However, such public facility must be located in the City of Chesapeake, City of Fredericksburg, City of Hampton, City of Lynchburg, City of Newport News, City of Norfolk, City of Portsmouth, City of Richmond, City of Roanoke, City of Salem, City of Staunton, City of Suffolk, City of Virginia Beach, City of Winchester, or Town of Wise. Any property, real, personal, or mixed, which is necessary or desirable in connection with any such auditorium, coliseum, convention center, sports complex, or conference center, including, without limitation, facilities for food preparation and serving, parking facilities, and office space, is encompassed within this definition. However, structures commonly referred to as "shopping centers" or "malls" shall not constitute a public facility hereunder. A public facility shall not include residential condominiums, townhomes, or other residential units. In addition, only a new public facility, or a public facility which will undergo a substantial and significant renovation or expansion, shall be eligible under subsection C. A new public facility is one whose construction began after December 31, 1991. A substantial and significant renovation entails a project whose cost is at least 50 percent of the original cost of the facility being renovated and shall have begun after December 31, 1991. A substantial and significant expansion entails an increase in floor space of at least 50 percent over that existing in the preexisting facility and shall have begun after December 31, 1991; or an increase in floor space of at least 10 percent over that existing in a public facility that qualified as such under this section and was constructed after December 31, 1991.

"Sales tax revenues" means such tax collections realized under the Virginia Retail Sales and Use Tax Act (§ 58.1-600 et seq.), as limited herein. "Sales tax revenues" does not include the revenue generated by (i) the 0.5 percent sales and use tax increase enacted by the 1986 Special Session of the General Assembly which shall be paid to the Commonwealth Transportation Fund established pursuant to § 33.2-1524, (ii) the ~~1.0~~ *one and one-eighth* percent of the state sales and use tax revenue distributed among the counties and cities of the Commonwealth pursuant to subsection D of § 58.1-638 on the basis of school age population, or (iii) any sales and use tax revenues generated by increases or allocation changes imposed by the 2013 Session of the General Assembly.

B. Notwithstanding the definition of "public facility" in subsection A, a development project that meets the requirements for a "development of regional impact" set forth herein shall be deemed to be a public facility under the provisions of this section. The locality in which the public facility is located shall be entitled to all sales tax revenues generated by transactions taking place at such public facility solely to pay the cost of any bonds issued to pay the cost, or

portion thereof, of such public facility pursuant to subsection C. For purposes of this subsection, the development of regional impact must be located in the City of Bristol.

For purposes of this subsection, a "development of regional impact" means a development project (i) towards which the locality contributes infrastructure or real property as part of a public-private partnership with the developer that is equal to at least 20 percent of the aggregate cost of development, (ii) that is reasonably expected to require a capital investment of at least \$50 million, (iii) that is reasonably expected to generate at least \$5 million annually in state sales and use tax revenue from sales within the development, (iv) that is reasonably expected to attract at least one million visitors annually, (v) that is reasonably expected to create at least 2,000 permanent jobs, (vi) that is located in a locality that had a rate of unemployment at least three percentage points higher than the statewide average in November 2011, and (vii) that is located in a locality that is adjacent to a state that has adopted a Border Region Retail Tourism Development District Act. Within 30 days from the date of notification by a locality that it intends to contribute infrastructure or real property as part of a public-private partnership with the developer of a development of regional impact, the Department of Taxation shall review the findings of the locality with respect to clauses (i) through (vi) and shall file a written report with the Chairmen of the House Committee on Finance, the House Committee on Appropriations, and the Senate Committee on Finance and Appropriations.

C. Any municipality which has issued bonds (i) after December 31, 1991, but before January 1, 1996, (ii) on or after January 1, 1998, but before July 1, 1999, (iii) on or after January 1, 1999, but before July 1, 2001, (iv) on or after July 1, 2000, but before July 1, 2003, (v) on or after July 1, 2001, but before July 1, 2005, (vi) on or after July 1, 2004, but before July 1, 2007, (vii) on or after July 1, 2009, but before July 1, 2012, (viii) on or after January 1, 2011, but prior to July 1, 2015, or (ix) on or after January 1, 2013, but prior to July 1, 2024, to pay the cost, or portion thereof, of any public facility shall be entitled to all sales tax revenues generated by transactions taking place in such public facility. In the case of a public facility described in clause (v) of the definition of public facility, all such sales tax revenues shall be applied solely to repayment of the bonds issued to pay the cost, or portion thereof, of the municipality-owned component of the sports complex. Such entitlement shall continue for the lifetime of such bonds, or any refinancing or refunding thereof, but in no event shall such entitlement exceed 35 years from the initial date that any bonds were issued to pay the cost, or a portion thereof, of any public facility, and all such sales tax revenues shall be applied to repayment of the bonds. The State Comptroller shall remit such sales tax revenues to the municipality on a quarterly basis, subject to such reasonable processing delays as may be required by the Department of Taxation to calculate the actual net sales tax revenues derived from the public facility. The State Comptroller shall make such remittances to eligible municipalities, as provided herein, notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary in the Virginia Retail Sales and Use Tax Act (§ 58.1-600 et seq.). No such remittances shall be made until construction is completed and, in the case of a renovation or expansion, until the governing body of the municipality has certified that the renovation or expansion is completed; however, in the case of any public facility consisting of more than one building or structure, such remittances shall be made on a quarterly basis beginning with the first quarter in which any sales tax revenue is generated by transactions

taking place at any building or structure within such public facility, whether or not construction of all or any portion, phase, building, or structure of such public facility has been completed.

D. Nothing in this section shall be construed as authorizing the pledging of the faith and credit of the Commonwealth of Virginia, or any of its revenues, for the payment of any bonds. Any appropriation made pursuant to this section shall be made only from sales tax revenues derived from the public facility for which bonds may have been issued to pay the cost, in whole or in part, of such public facility.

§ 58.1-638. Disposition of state sales and use tax revenue.

A. The Comptroller shall designate a specific revenue code number for all the state sales and use tax revenue collected under the preceding sections of this chapter.

The sales and use tax revenue generated by the one-half percent sales and use tax increase enacted by the 1986 Special Session of the General Assembly shall be paid, in the manner hereinafter provided in this section, to the Commonwealth Transportation Fund established pursuant to § 33.2-1524. The Fund's share of such net revenue shall be computed as an estimate of the net revenue to be received into the state treasury each month, and such estimated payment shall be adjusted for the actual net revenue received in the preceding month. All payments shall be made to the Fund on the last day of each month.

B. The sales and use tax revenue generated by a one *and one-eighth* percent sales and use tax shall be distributed among the counties and cities of the Commonwealth in the manner provided in subsections C and D.

C. The localities' share of the net revenue distributable under this section among the counties and cities shall be apportioned by the Comptroller and distributed among them by warrants of the Comptroller drawn on the Treasurer of Virginia as soon as practicable after the close of each month during which the net revenue was received into the state treasury. The distribution of the localities' share of such net revenue shall be computed with respect to the net revenue received into the state treasury during each month, and such distribution shall be made as soon as practicable after the close of each such month.

D. The net revenue so distributable among the counties and cities shall be apportioned and distributed upon the basis of the latest yearly estimate of the population of cities and counties ages five to 19, provided by the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service of the University of Virginia. Such population estimate produced by the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service of the University of Virginia shall account for persons who are domiciled in orphanages or charitable institutions or who are dependents living on any federal military or naval reservation or other federal property within the school division in which the institutions or federal military or naval reservation or other federal property is located. Such population estimate produced by the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service of the University of Virginia shall account for members of the military services who are under 20 years of age within the school division in which the parents or guardians of such persons legally reside. Such population estimate produced by the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service of the University of Virginia shall account for individuals receiving services in state hospitals, state training centers, or mental

health facilities, persons who are confined in state or federal correctional institutions, or persons who attend the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind within the school division in which the parents or guardians of such persons legally reside. Such population estimate produced by the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service of the University of Virginia shall account for persons who attend institutions of higher education within the school division in which the student's parents or guardians legally reside. To such estimate, the Department of Education shall add the population of students with disabilities, ages two through four and 20 through 21, as provided to the Department of Education by school divisions. The revenue so apportionable and distributable is hereby appropriated to the several counties and cities for maintenance, operation, capital outlays, debt and interest payments, or other expenses incurred in the operation of the public schools, which shall be considered as funds raised from local resources. In any county, however, wherein is situated any incorporated town constituting a school division, the county treasurer shall pay into the town treasury for maintenance, operation, capital outlays, debt and interest payments, or other expenses incurred in the operation of the public schools, the proper proportionate amount received by him in the ratio that the school population of such town bears to the school population of the entire county. If the school population of any city or of any town constituting a school division is increased by the annexation of territory since the last estimate of school population provided by the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service, such increase shall, for the purposes of this section, be added to the school population of such city or town as shown by the last such estimate and a proper reduction made in the school population of the county or counties from which the annexed territory was acquired.

E. Beginning July 1, 2000, of the remaining sales and use tax revenue, the revenue generated by a two percent sales and use tax, up to an annual amount of \$13 million, collected from the sales of hunting equipment, auxiliary hunting equipment, fishing equipment, auxiliary fishing equipment, wildlife-watching equipment, and auxiliary wildlife-watching equipment in Virginia, as estimated by the most recent U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service and U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation, shall be paid into the Game Protection Fund established under § 29.1-101 and shall be used, in part, to defray the cost of law enforcement. Not later than 30 days after the close of each quarter, the Comptroller shall transfer to the Game Protection Fund the appropriate amount of collections to be dedicated to such Fund. At any time that the balance in the Capital Improvement Fund, established under § 29.1-101.01, is equal to or in excess of \$35 million, any portion of sales and use tax revenues that would have been transferred to the Game Protection Fund, established under § 29.1-101, in excess of the net operating expenses of the Board, after deduction of other amounts which accrue to the Board and are set aside for the Game Protection Fund, shall remain in the general fund until such time as the balance in the Capital Improvement Fund is less than \$35 million.

~~F. 1. Of the net revenue generated from the one-half percent increase in the rate of the state sales and use tax effective August 1, 2004, pursuant to enactments of the 2004 Special Session I of the General Assembly, the Comptroller shall transfer from the general fund of the state treasury to the Public Education Standards of Quality/Local Real Estate Property Tax Relief~~

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~~Fund established under § 58.1-638.1 an amount equivalent to one-half of the net revenue generated from such one-half percent increase as provided in this subdivision. The transfers to the Public Education Standards of Quality/Local Real Estate Property Tax Relief Fund under this subdivision shall be for one-half of the net revenue generated (and collected in the succeeding month) from such one-half percent increase for the month of August 2004 and for each month thereafter.~~

~~2. Beginning July 1, 2013, of the remaining sales and use tax revenue, an amount equal to the revenue generated by a 0.125 percent sales and use tax shall be distributed to the Public Education Standards of Quality/Local Real Estate Property Tax Relief Fund established under § 58.1-638.1, and be used for the state's share of Standards of Quality basic aid payments.~~

~~3. For the purposes of the Comptroller making the required transfers under subdivision 1 and 2, the Tax Commissioner shall make a written certification to the Comptroller no later than the twenty-fifth of each month certifying the sales and use tax revenues generated in the preceding month. Within three calendar days of receiving such certification, the Comptroller shall make the required transfers to the Public Education Standards of Quality/Local Real Estate Property Tax Relief Fund.~~

~~G. (Contingent expiration date) Beginning July 1, 2020, of the remaining sales and use tax revenue, an amount equal to 20 percent of the revenue generated by a one-half percent sales and use tax, such as that paid to the Commonwealth Transportation Fund as provided in subsection A, shall be paid to the Commonwealth Transportation Fund established pursuant to § 33.2-1524.~~

~~The Commonwealth Transportation Fund's share of the net revenue distributable under this subsection shall be computed as an estimate of the net revenue to be received into the state treasury each month, and such estimated payment shall be adjusted for the actual net revenue received in the preceding month. All payments shall be made to the Fund on the last day of each month.~~

~~G. H. (Contingent expiration date)~~

~~1. The additional revenue generated by increases in the state sales and use tax from Planning District 8 pursuant to §§ 58.1-603.1, 58.1-604.01, 58.1-604.1, and 58.1-614 shall be deposited by the Comptroller in the fund established under § 33.2-2509.~~

~~2. The additional revenue generated by increases in the state sales and use tax from Planning District 23 pursuant to §§ 58.1-603.1, 58.1-604.01, 58.1-604.1, and 58.1-614 shall be deposited by the Comptroller in the fund established under § 33.2-2600.~~

~~3. (For contingent expiration date, see Acts 2020, c. 1235) The additional revenue generated by increases in the state sales and use tax from Planning District 15 pursuant to §§ 58.1-603.1, 58.1-604.01, 58.1-604.1, and 58.1-614 shall be deposited by the Comptroller in the fund established under § 33.2-3701.~~

~~4. The additional revenue generated by increases in the state sales and use tax in any other Planning District pursuant to §§ 58.1-603.1, 58.1-604.01, 58.1-604.1, and 58.1-614 shall be deposited into special funds that shall be established by appropriate legislation.~~

5. The net revenues distributable under this subsection shall be computed as an estimate of the net revenue to be received by the state treasury each month, and such estimated payment shall be adjusted for the actual net revenue received in the preceding month. All payments shall be made to the appropriate funds on the last day of each month.

~~H. 4.~~ (For contingent expiration date, see Acts 2018, c. 850) The additional revenue generated by increases in the state sales and use tax from the Historic Triangle pursuant to § 58.1-603.2 shall be deposited by the Comptroller as follows: (i) 50 percent shall be deposited into the Historic Triangle Marketing Fund established pursuant to subsection F of § 58.1-603.2; and (ii) 50 percent shall be deposited in the special fund created pursuant to subdivision D 2 of § 58.1-603.2 and distributed to the localities in which the revenues were collected. The net revenues distributable under this subsection shall be computed as an estimate of the net revenues to be received by the state treasury each month, and such estimated payment shall be adjusted for the actual net revenue received in the preceding month. All payments shall be made to the appropriate funds on the last day of each month.

~~I. 5.~~ If errors are made in any distribution, or adjustments are otherwise necessary, the errors shall be corrected and adjustments made in the distribution for the next quarter or for subsequent quarters.

~~J. 6.~~ The term "net revenue," as used in this section, means the gross revenue received into the general fund or the Commonwealth Transportation Fund of the state treasury under the preceding sections of this chapter, less refunds to taxpayers.

§ 58.1-3851.1. Entitlement to tax revenues from tourism project.

A. For purposes of this section:

"Economic development authority" means a local industrial development authority or a local or regional political subdivision, the public purpose of which is to assist in economic development.

"Gap financing" means debt financing to compensate for a shortfall in project funding between the expected development costs of an authorized tourism project and the debt and equity capital provided by the developer of the project.

B. 1. If a locality has established a tourism zone pursuant to § 58.1-3851, has adopted an ordinance establishing a tourism plan as determined by guidelines set forth by the Virginia Tourism Authority, and has adopted an ordinance authorizing a tourism project to meet a deficiency identified in the adopted tourism plan approved by the Virginia Tourism Authority, and the tourism project has been certified by the State Comptroller as qualifying for the entitlement to tax revenues authorized by this section, the authorized tourism project shall be entitled to an amount equal to the revenues generated by a one percent state sales and use tax on transactions taking place on the premises of the authorized tourism project. The entitlement shall be contingent on the locality enacting an ordinance designating certain local tax revenues to the tourism project pursuant to subsection C and shall be subject to the conditions set forth in subsection D. The purpose of such entitlement shall be to assist the developer with obtaining gap financing and making payments of principal and interest thereon. The entitlement shall

continue until the gap financing is paid in full. Entitled sales and use tax revenues shall be applied solely to payments of principal and interest on the qualified gap financing.

2. On a quarterly basis, the Tax Commissioner shall certify the amount of the entitled sales and use tax revenues to the Comptroller, who shall remit such revenues to the county or city in which the authorized tourism project is located. The county or city shall remit the revenues to the economic development authority. No payments herein shall be made until an agreement exists between the developer of the authorized tourism project and the economic development authority.

3. The state sales and use tax entitlement established in subdivision 1 shall not include any (i) sales and use tax revenues dedicated pursuant to § 58.1-638 or ~~58.1-638.1~~ or (ii) revenues generated pursuant to Chapter 766 of the Acts of Assembly of 2013, the additional state sales and use tax in certain counties and cities assessed pursuant to subsection B of § 58.1-603.1 and subsection B of § 58.1-604.01; or the additional state sales and use tax in certain counties and cities of historic significance imposed under § 58.1-603.2.

C. If a locality has adopted the ordinances required by subdivision B 1 to entitle an authorized tourism project to an amount equal to the revenues generated by a one percent state sales and use tax on transactions taking place on the premises of the authorized tourism project, the local governing body of the county or city in which the authorized tourism project is located shall also direct by ordinance that an amount equal to the revenues generated by at least a one percent local sales and use tax, or an equivalent amount of other local tax revenues as designated by the ordinance, generated by transactions taking place on the premises of the authorized tourism project shall be applied to the payment of principal and interest on the qualified gap financing. Such revenues shall be remitted in the same manner, for the same time period, and under the same conditions as the remittances paid in accordance with subsection B, *mutatis mutandis*.

D. Prior to any entitlement to tax revenues for an authorized tourism project pursuant to subsections B and C, the owner of such project shall have a minimum of 70 percent of funding for the project in place through debt or equity, enter into a performance agreement with the economic development authority or political subdivision, and enter into an agreement to pay an access fee. The access fee shall be equivalent to the state sales and use tax revenue generated by and returned to the project pursuant to subdivision B 1 and shall be collected by the locality and remitted to the economic development authority on a quarterly basis. The access fee and the sales and use tax entitlement shall be used solely to make payments of principal and interest on the qualified gap financing.

E. In the event that the total amount of sales and use tax entitlement and the access fee exceeds any annual debt service on the qualified gap financing, such excess shall be paid to the principal of the loan until the qualified gap financing is paid in full.

F. A tourism project that is entitled to and receives revenues pursuant to this section shall not be eligible to receive revenues pursuant to § 58.1-608.3, 58.1-3851.2, or 58.1-3851.3.

§ 58.1-3851.2. Entitlement to tax revenues from tourism project of regional significance.

A. For purposes of this section:

"Economic development authority" means a local industrial development authority or a local or regional political subdivision, the public purpose of which is to assist in economic development.

"Gap financing" means debt financing to compensate for a shortfall in project funding between the expected development costs of an authorized tourism project of regional significance and the debt and equity capital provided by the developer of the project.

"Tourism project of regional significance" means a tourism project that meets the requirements set forth in subdivision B 1 and that additionally represents a new capital investment of at least \$100 million in a new tourism facility or in a substantial and significant renovation or expansion of an existing tourism facility by a private entity in the Commonwealth and, as determined by the Virginia Tourism Authority, that supports increased hotel occupancy, new job creation, an increase in the number of out-of-state visitors to the Commonwealth, and other factors of significant fiscal and economic impact. Any property, real, personal, or mixed, that is necessary or complementary, such as arenas, sporting facilities, hotels, and other tourism venues, developed in connection with any such tourism project of regional significance, including facilities for food preparation and serving, parking facilities, and administrative offices, is encompassed within this definition, as is theme-related retail activity by vendors or the private entity owner of the project that occurs on site and directly supports the tourism mission of the project. A tourism project of regional significance does not include, for purposes of this section, general retail outlets, ancillary retail structures not directly related to the tourism purpose of the project or other retail establishments commonly referred to as shopping centers or malls or residential condominiums, townhomes, or other residential units.

B. 1. If a locality has established a tourism zone pursuant to § 58.1-3851, has adopted an ordinance establishing a tourism plan as determined by guidelines set forth by the Virginia Tourism Authority, and has adopted an ordinance authorizing a tourism project of regional significance to meet a deficiency identified in the adopted tourism plan approved by the Virginia Tourism Authority, and if the tourism project of regional significance has been certified by the State Comptroller as qualifying for the entitlement to tax revenues authorized by this section, the authorized tourism project of regional significance shall be entitled to an amount equal to the revenues generated by a 1.5 percent state sales and use tax on transactions taking place on the premises of the authorized tourism project of regional significance. The entitlement shall be contingent on the locality's enacting an ordinance designating certain local revenues to the project pursuant to subsection C and shall be subject to the conditions set forth in subsection D. The purpose of such entitlement shall be to assist the developer with obtaining gap financing and making payments of principal and interest thereon.

2. On a quarterly basis, the Tax Commissioner shall certify the amount of the entitled sales and use tax revenues to the Comptroller, who shall remit such revenues to the county or city in which the authorized tourism project of regional significance is located. The county or city shall remit the revenues to the economic development authority. No payments herein shall be made until an agreement exists between the developer of the authorized tourism project of regional significance and the economic development authority. The entitlement shall continue until the

gap financing is paid in full or for the length of time specified in the agreement between the developer and the economic development authority, but in no event shall the entitlement extend beyond 20 years from the date of the initial entitlement. Entitled sales and use tax revenues shall be applied solely to payments of principal and interest on the qualified gap financing.

3. The state sales and use tax entitlement established in subdivision 1 shall not include any (i) sales and use tax revenues dedicated pursuant to § 58.1-638 or ~~58.1-638.1~~ or (ii) revenues generated pursuant to Chapter 766 of the Acts of Assembly of 2013, the additional state sales and use tax in certain counties and cities assessed pursuant to subsection B of § 58.1-603.1 and subsection B of § 58.1-604.01; or the additional state sales and use tax in certain counties and cities of historic significance imposed under § 58.1-603.2.

C. If a locality has adopted the ordinances required by subdivision B 1 to entitle an authorized tourism project of regional significance to an amount equal to the revenues generated by a 1.5 percent state sales and use tax on transactions taking place on the premises of the authorized tourism project of regional significance, the local governing body of the county or city in which the authorized tourism project of regional significance is located shall also direct by ordinance that an amount of local revenues, from any authorized source of revenues available to the locality, equal to the revenues generated by at least a 1.5 percent state sales and use tax generated by transactions taking place on the premises of the authorized tourism project of regional significance shall be applied to the payment of principal and interest on the qualified gap financing. Such revenues shall be remitted in the same manner, for the same time period, and under the same conditions as the remittances paid in accordance with subsection B, *mutatis mutandis*.

D. Prior to any entitlement to tax revenues for an authorized tourism project of regional significance pursuant to subsections B and C, the owner of such project shall have a minimum of 80 percent of funding for the project in place through debt or equity, enter into a performance agreement with the economic development authority or political subdivision, and enter into an agreement to pay an access fee. The access fee shall be equivalent to the state sales and use tax revenue generated by and returned to the project pursuant to subdivision B 1 and shall be collected by the locality and remitted to the economic development authority on a quarterly basis. The access fee and the state and local contributions pursuant to this section shall be used solely to make payments of principal and interest on the qualified gap financing.

E. In the event that the total amount of state and local contributions pursuant to this section and the access fee exceeds any annual debt service on the qualified gap financing, such excess shall be paid to the principal of the loan until the qualified gap financing is paid in full.

F. Neither the Commonwealth nor any political subdivision of the Commonwealth shall incur any debt under this section. Nothing in this section shall be construed as authorizing the pledging of the faith and credit of the Commonwealth, or any of its revenues, or the faith and credit of any other political subdivision of the Commonwealth, or any of its revenues, for the payment of any debt or debt financing, or meeting any contractual obligation incurred by the owner or developer of any authorized tourism project of regional significance.

G. An authorized tourism project of regional significance that is entitled to and receives revenues pursuant to this section shall not be eligible to receive revenues pursuant to § 58.1-608.3, 58.1-3851.1, or 58.1-3851.3.

§ 58.1-3851.3. Entitlement to tax revenues from a major tourism project.

A. For purposes of this section:

"Economic development authority" means a local industrial development authority or a local or regional political subdivision, the public purpose of which is to assist in economic development.

"Gap financing" means debt financing to compensate for a shortfall in project funding between the expected development costs of a major tourism project and the debt and equity capital provided by the developer of the project and any refinancing of a gap financing. "Gap financing" includes a developer's primary debt financing, as well as any refinancing thereof, if the entitlements to tax revenues provided under this section are pledged as collateral for such primary debt financing.

"Major tourism project" means a tourism project that meets the requirements set forth in subdivision B 1 and that additionally represents a new capital investment of at least \$500 million in a new tourism facility or in a substantial and significant renovation or expansion of an existing tourism facility by a private entity in the Commonwealth, that will result in the creation of at least 500 net new jobs, and, as determined by the Virginia Tourism Authority, that supports increased hotel occupancy, an increase in the number of out-of-state visitors to the Commonwealth, and other factors of significant fiscal and economic impact. Any property, real, personal, or mixed, that is necessary or complementary, such as arenas, sporting facilities, hotels, and other tourism venues, developed in connection with any such major tourism project, including facilities for food preparation and serving, parking facilities, and administrative offices, is encompassed within this definition, as is theme-related retail activity that occurs on site and directly supports the tourism mission of the project. "Major tourism project" does not include, for purposes of this section, (i) general retail outlets, ancillary retail structures not directly related to the tourism purpose of the project, or other retail establishments commonly referred to as shopping centers or malls or (ii) residential condominiums, townhomes, or other residential units.

B. 1. If a locality has established a tourism zone pursuant to § 58.1-3851, has adopted an ordinance establishing a tourism plan as determined by guidelines set forth by the Virginia Tourism Authority, and has adopted an ordinance authorizing a major tourism project to meet a deficiency identified in the adopted tourism plan approved by the Virginia Tourism Authority, and if the major tourism project has been certified by the State Comptroller as qualifying for the entitlement to tax revenues authorized by this section, the major tourism project shall be entitled to an amount equal to the revenues generated by a two percent state sales and use tax on transactions taking place on the premises of the authorized major tourism project. The entitlement shall be contingent on the locality's enacting an ordinance designating certain local revenues to the project pursuant to subsection C and shall be subject to the conditions set forth in subsection D. The entitlement shall also be subject to review and approval by the MEI

Project Approval Commission pursuant to § 30-310. The purpose of such entitlement shall be to assist the developer with obtaining gap financing and making payments of principal and interest thereon.

2. On a quarterly basis, the Tax Commissioner shall certify the amount of the entitled sales and use tax revenues to the Comptroller, who shall remit such revenues to the county or city in which the authorized major tourism project is located. The county or city shall remit the revenues to the economic development authority or such other entity as the economic development authority shall designate. No payments herein shall be made until an agreement exists between the developer of the authorized major tourism project and the economic development authority. The entitlement shall continue until the gap financing is paid in full or for the length of time specified in the agreement between the developer and the economic development authority, but in no event shall the entitlement extend beyond 20 years from the date of the accrual of the initial entitlement. Entitled sales and use tax revenues shall be applied solely to payments of principal and interest on the qualified gap financing.

3. The state sales and use tax entitlement established in subdivision 1 shall not include any (i) sales and use tax revenues dedicated pursuant to § 58.1-638 or ~~58.1-638.1~~ or (ii) revenues generated pursuant to Chapter 766 of the Acts of Assembly of 2013, the additional state sales and use tax in certain counties and cities assessed pursuant to subsection B of § 58.1-603.1 and subsection B of § 58.1-604.01; or the additional state sales and use tax in certain counties and cities of historic significance imposed under § 58.1-603.2.

C. If a locality has adopted the ordinances required by subdivision B 1 to entitle an authorized major tourism project to an amount equal to the revenues generated by a two percent state sales and use tax on transactions taking place on the premises of the authorized major tourism project, or subsequently acquired premises for the major tourism project, the local governing body of the county or city in which the authorized major tourism project is located shall also direct by ordinance that an amount of local revenues, from any authorized source of revenues available to the locality, equal to the revenues generated by at least a two percent state sales and use tax generated by transactions taking place on the premises of the authorized major tourism project, or subsequently acquired premises for the authorized major tourism project, shall be applied to the payment of principal and interest on the qualified gap financing. Such revenues shall be remitted in the same manner, for the same time period, and under the same conditions as the remittances paid in accordance with subsection B, *mutatis mutandis*.

D. Prior to any entitlement to tax revenues for a major tourism project pursuant to subsections B and C, the owner of such project shall have a minimum of 70 percent of funding for the project in place through debt or equity, enter into a performance agreement with the economic development authority or political subdivision, and enter into an agreement to pay an access fee. The access fee shall be equivalent to the state sales and use tax revenue generated by and returned to the project pursuant to subdivision B 1 and shall be collected by the locality and remitted to the economic development authority or such other entity as the economic development authority shall designate on a quarterly basis. The access fee and the state and local contributions pursuant to this section shall be used solely to make payments of principal

and interest on the qualified gap financing.

E. In the event that the total amount of state and local contributions pursuant to this section and the access fee exceeds any annual debt service on the qualified gap financing, such excess shall be paid to the principal of the loan until the qualified gap financing is paid in full.

F. Neither the Commonwealth nor any political subdivision of the Commonwealth shall incur any debt under this section. Nothing in this section shall be construed as authorizing the pledging of the faith and credit of the Commonwealth, or any of its revenues, or the faith and credit of any other political subdivision of the Commonwealth, or any of its revenues, for the payment of any debt or debt financing, or meeting any contractual obligation incurred by the owner or developer of any authorized major tourism project.

G. A major tourism project that is entitled to and receives revenues pursuant to this section shall not be eligible to receive revenues pursuant to § 58.1-608.3, 58.1-3851.1, or 58.1-3851.2.

9. That § 58.1-638.1 of the Code of Virginia is repealed."

Page 668, line 30, strike "8." and insert: "10."

Page 668, line 31, strike "9." and insert: "11."

Page 668, line 31, after "third," strike "and".

Page 668, line 31, after "fourth" insert ", eighth and ninth".

Explanation:

(This amends provisions of the Code of Virginia to provide that one and one eighth cents of sales and use tax revenues are distributed to localities in support of public education. Under current law, one cent of the sales and use tax is distributed to school divisions in support of public education, and an additional one-eighth cent of the sales and use tax is deposited first into the Public Education Standards of Quality/Local Real Estate Property Tax Relief Fund and then distributed to school divisions. This amendment consolidates these two actions and does not impact amounts of sales and use taxes collected or the distribution of funds to school divisions. Companion amendments in Item 125 and Item 3.5-03 address corresponding budget language.)

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Language

Language:

Page 668, after line 23, insert:

"5. That §§ 46.2-1500, 46.2-1508, and 46.2-1573.25 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 46.2-1500. Definitions.

As used in this chapter, unless the context requires a different meaning:

"Affiliate" means any entity in which a manufacturer, factory branch, distributor, or distributor branch has voting control or owns at least 51 percent of the ownership equity, or any entity in which another entity has voting control or owns at least 51 percent of the ownership equity and also has voting control and owns at least 51 percent of the ownership of a manufacturer, factory branch, distributor, or distributor branch. An entity that provides vehicle purchase or lease financing that uses the name of the manufacturer or distributor, or the name of any line make of the manufacturer or distributor, in the name of the entity under which it transacts business with a consumer, other than in the name of an individual product offered by the entity, shall be considered an "affiliate."

"Board" means the Motor Vehicle Dealer Board.

"Camping trailer" means a recreational vehicle constructed with collapsible partial side walls that fold for towing by a consumer-owned tow vehicle and unfold at the campsite to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel use.

"Certificate of origin" means the document provided by the manufacturer of a new motor vehicle or new trailer, or its distributor, which is the only valid indication of ownership between the manufacturer, its distributor, its franchised motor vehicle dealers, and the original purchaser not for resale.

"Dealer-operator" means the individual who works at the established place of business of a dealer and who is responsible for and in charge of day-to-day operations of that place of business.

"Demonstrator" means a new motor vehicle having a gross vehicle weight rating of less than 16,000 pounds that (i) has more than 750 miles accumulated on its odometer that has been driven by dealer personnel or by prospective purchasers during the course of selling, displaying, demonstrating, showing, or exhibiting it and (ii) may be sold as a new motor vehicle, provided the dealer complies with the provisions of subsection D of § 46.2-1530.

"Distributor" means a person who is licensed by the Department under this chapter and who sells or distributes new motor vehicles or new trailers pursuant to a written agreement with the manufacturer to franchised motor vehicle dealers in the Commonwealth.

"Distributor branch" means a branch office licensed by the Department under this chapter and maintained by a distributor for the sale of motor vehicles to motor vehicle dealers or for directing or supervising, in whole or in part, its representatives in the Commonwealth.

"Distributor representative" means a person who is licensed by the Department under this chapter and employed by a distributor or by a distributor branch, for the purpose of making or promoting the sale of motor vehicles or for supervising or contacting its dealers, prospective dealers, or representatives in the Commonwealth.

"Factory branch" means a branch office maintained by a person for the sale of motor vehicles to distributors or for the sale of motor vehicles to motor vehicle dealers, or for directing or

supervising, in whole or in part, its representatives in the Commonwealth.

"Factory representative" means a person who is licensed by the Department under this chapter and employed by a person who manufactures or assembles motor vehicles or by a factory branch for the purpose of making or promoting the sale of its motor vehicles or for supervising or contacting its dealers, prospective dealers, or representatives in the Commonwealth.

"Factory repurchase motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle sold, leased, rented, consigned, or otherwise transferred to a person under an agreement that the motor vehicle will be resold or otherwise retransferred only to the manufacturer or distributor of the motor vehicle, and which is reacquired by the manufacturer or distributor, or its agents.

"Family member" means a person who either (i) is the spouse, child, grandchild, spouse of a child, spouse of a grandchild, brother, sister, or parent of the dealer or owner or (ii) has been employed continuously by the dealer for at least five years.

"Franchise" means a written contract or agreement between two or more persons whereby one person, the franchisee, is granted the right to engage in the business of offering and selling, offering and delivering pursuant to a lease, servicing, or offering, selling, and servicing new trailers with a gross vehicle weight rating of more than 30,000 pounds or new motor vehicles of a particular line-make or late model or used motor vehicles of a particular line-make manufactured or distributed by the grantor of the right, the franchisor, and where the operation of the franchisee's business is substantially associated with the franchisor's trademark, trade name, advertising, or other commercial symbol designating the franchisor, the motor vehicle or its manufacturer or distributor. "Franchise" includes any severable part or parts of a franchise agreement which separately provides for selling and servicing different line-makes of the franchisor.

"Franchised late model or franchised used motor vehicle dealer" means a dealer selling used motor vehicles, including vehicles purchased from the franchisor, under the trademark of a manufacturer or distributor that has a franchise agreement with a manufacturer or distributor.

"Franchised motor vehicle dealer" or "franchised dealer" means a dealer in new trailers with a gross vehicle weight rating of more than 30,000 pounds or new motor vehicles that has a franchise agreement with a manufacturer or distributor of new trailers with a gross vehicle weight rating of more than 30,000 pounds or new motor vehicles to sell new trailers with a gross vehicle weight rating of more than 30,000 pounds or new motor vehicles or to sell used motor vehicles under the trademark of a manufacturer or distributor regardless of the age of the motor vehicles.

"Fund" means the Motor Vehicle Dealer Board Fund.

"Independent motor vehicle dealer" means a dealer in used motor vehicles.

"Late model motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle of the current model year and the immediately preceding model year.

"Line-make" means the name of the motor vehicle manufacturer or distributor and a brand or

name plate marketed by the manufacturer or distributor. The line-make of a motorcycle manufacturer, factory branch, distributor, or distributor branch includes every brand of all-terrain vehicle, autocycle, and off-road motorcycle manufactured or distributed bearing the name of the motorcycle manufacturer or distributor.

"Manufactured home dealer" means any person licensed as a manufactured home dealer under Chapter 4.2 (§ 36-85.16 et seq.) of Title 36.

"Manufacturer" means a person who is licensed by the Department under this chapter and engaged in the business of constructing or assembling new motor vehicles or new trailers and, in the case of trucks, recreational vehicles, and motor homes, also means a person engaged in the business of manufacturing engines, transmissions, power trains, or rear axles, when such engines, transmissions, power trains, or rear axles are not warranted by the final manufacturer or assembler of the truck, recreational vehicle, or motor home.

"Motorcycle" means every motor vehicle designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground, except any vehicle within the term "farm tractor" or "moped" as defined in § 46.2-100. Except as otherwise provided, for the purposes of this chapter, all-terrain vehicles, autocycles, and off-road motorcycles *required to be titled pursuant to Chapter 6 (§ 46.2-600 et seq.)* are deemed to be motorcycles.

"Motor home" means a motorized recreational vehicle designed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel use that contains at least four of the following permanently installed independent life support systems that meet the National Fire Protection Association standards for recreational vehicles: (i) a cooking facility with an onboard fuel source; (ii) a potable water supply system that includes at least a sink, a faucet, and a water tank with an exterior service supply connection; (iii) a toilet with exterior evacuation; (iv) a gas or electric refrigerator; (v) a heating or air conditioning system with an onboard power or fuel source separate from the vehicle engine; or (vi) a 110-125 volt electric power supply.

"Motor vehicle" means the same as provided in § 46.2-100, except, for the purposes of this chapter, "motor vehicle" includes trailers, as defined in this section, and does not include (i) manufactured homes, sales of which are regulated under Chapter 4.2 (§ 36-85.16 et seq.) of Title 36; (ii) nonrepairable vehicles, as defined in § 46.2-1600; (iii) salvage vehicles, as defined in § 46.2-1600; or (iv) mobile cranes that exceed the size or weight limitations as set forth in § 46.2-1105, 46.2-1110, or 46.2-1113 or Article 17 (§ 46.2-1122 et seq.) of Chapter 10.

"Motor vehicle dealer" or "dealer" means any person who:

1. For commission, money, or other thing of value, buys for resale, sells, or exchanges, either outright or on conditional sale, lease, chattel mortgage, or other similar transaction or arranges or offers or attempts to solicit or negotiate on behalf of others the sale, purchase, or exchange of, either outright or on conditional sale, lease, chattel mortgage, or other similar transaction, an interest in new motor vehicles, new and used motor vehicles, or used motor vehicles alone, whether or not the motor vehicles are owned by him; or

2. Is wholly or partly engaged in the business of selling new motor vehicles, new and used

motor vehicles, or used motor vehicles only, whether or not the motor vehicles are owned by him.

Any person who offers to sell, sells, displays, or permits the display for sale, of five or more motor vehicles within any 12 consecutive months is presumed to be a motor vehicle dealer and may rebut the presumption by a preponderance of the evidence.

For the purposes of Article 7.2 (§ 46.2-1573.2 et seq.), "dealer" means recreational vehicle dealer. For the purposes of Article 7.3 (§ 46.2-1573.13 et seq.), "dealer" means watercraft trailer dealer and trailer dealer of new trailers with a gross vehicle weight rating of more than 30,000 pounds. For the purposes of Article 7.4 (§ 46.2-1573.25 et seq.), "dealer" means motorcycle dealer.

"Motor vehicle dealer" or "dealer" does not include:

1. Receivers, trustees, administrators, executors, guardians, conservators or other persons appointed by or acting under judgment or order of any court or their employees when engaged in the specific performance of their duties as employees.
2. Public officers, their deputies, assistants, or employees, while performing their official duties.
3. Persons other than business entities primarily engaged in the leasing or renting of motor vehicles to others when selling or offering such vehicles for sale at retail, disposing of motor vehicles acquired for their own use and actually so used, when the vehicles have been so acquired and used in good faith and not for the purpose of avoiding the provisions of this chapter.
4. Persons dealing solely in the sale and distribution of fire-fighting vehicles, ambulances, and funeral vehicles, including motor vehicles adapted therefor; however, this exemption shall not exempt any person from the provisions of §§ 46.2-1519, 46.2-1520, and 46.2-1548.
5. Any financial institution chartered or authorized to do business under the laws of the Commonwealth or the United States which may have received title to a motor vehicle in the normal course of its business by reason of a foreclosure, other taking, repossession, or voluntary reconveyance to that institution occurring as a result of any loan secured by a lien on the vehicle.
6. An employee of an organization arranging for the purchase or lease by the organization of vehicles for use in the organization's business.
7. Any person licensed to sell real estate who sells a manufactured home or similar vehicle in conjunction with the sale of the parcel of land on which the manufactured home or similar vehicle is located.
8. Any person who permits the operation of a motor vehicle show or permits the display of motor vehicles for sale by any motor vehicle dealer licensed under this chapter.
9. An insurance company authorized to do business in the Commonwealth that sells or disposes of vehicles under a contract with its insured in the regular course of business.

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10. Any publication, broadcast, or other communications media when engaged in the business of advertising, but not otherwise arranging for the sale of vehicles owned by others.
11. Any person dealing solely in the sale or lease of vehicles designed exclusively for off-road use.
12. Any credit union authorized to do business in Virginia, provided the credit union does not receive a commission, money, or other thing of value directly from a motor vehicle dealer.
13. Any person licensed as a manufactured home dealer, broker, manufacturer, or salesperson under Chapter 4.2 (§ 36-85.16 et seq.) of Title 36.
14. The State Department of Social Services or local departments of social services.
15. Any person dealing solely in the sale and distribution of utility or cargo trailers that have unloaded weights of 3,000 pounds or less; however, this exemption shall not exempt any person who deals in stock trailers or watercraft trailers.
16. Any motor vehicle manufacturer or distributor selling a new motor vehicle at wholesale to its franchised dealer or a used motor vehicle to a licensed dealer.

For the purposes of Article 7 (§ 46.2-1566 et seq.), "dealer" does not include recreational vehicle dealers, trailer dealers, watercraft trailer dealers, or motorcycle dealers.

"Motor vehicle salesperson" or "salesperson" means (i) any person who is hired as an employee by a motor vehicle dealer to sell or exchange motor vehicles and who receives or expects to receive a commission, fee, or any other consideration from the dealer; (ii) any person who supervises salespersons employed by a motor vehicle dealer, whether compensated by salary or by commission; (iii) any person, compensated by salary or commission by a motor vehicle dealer, who negotiates with or induces a customer to enter into a security agreement on behalf of a dealer; or (iv) any person who is licensed as a motor vehicle dealer and who sells or exchanges motor vehicles. For purposes of this section, any person who is an independent contractor as defined by the United States Internal Revenue Code shall be deemed not to be a motor vehicle salesperson.

"Motor vehicle show" means a display of motor vehicles to the general public at a location other than a dealer's location licensed under this chapter where the vehicles are not being offered for sale or exchange during or as part of the display.

"New motor vehicle" means any vehicle, excluding trailers, that is in the possession of the manufacturer, factory branch, distributor, distributor branch, or motor vehicle dealer and for which an original title has not been issued by the Department or by the issuing agency of any other state and has less than 7,500 miles accumulated on its odometer.

"New trailer" means any trailer that (i) has not been previously sold except in good faith for the purpose of resale; (ii) has not been used as a rental, driver education, or demonstration trailer or for the personal or business transportation of the manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or any of its employees; (iii) has not been used except for limited use necessary in moving or road testing the

trailer prior to delivery to a customer; (iv) is transferred by a certificate of origin; and (v) has the manufacturer's certification that it conforms to all applicable federal trailer safety and emission standards. Notwithstanding clauses (i) and (iii), a trailer that has been previously sold but not titled shall be deemed a new trailer if it meets the requirements of clauses (ii), (iv), and (v).

"Original license" means a motor vehicle dealer license issued to an applicant who has never been licensed as a motor vehicle dealer in Virginia or whose Virginia motor vehicle dealer license has been expired for more than 30 days.

"Recreational vehicle" or "RV" means a vehicle that (i) is either self-propelled or towed by a consumer-owned tow vehicle, (ii) is primarily designed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel use; and (iii) complies with all applicable federal vehicle regulations and does not require a special movement permit to legally use the highways. Recreational vehicle includes motor homes, travel trailers, and camping trailers.

"Relevant market area" means as follows:

1. For motor vehicle dealers except motorcycle dealers, in metropolitan localities the relevant market area shall be a circular area around an existing franchised dealer with a population of 250,000, not to exceed a radius of 10 miles, but in no case less than seven miles.
2. For motor vehicle dealers except motorcycle dealers, if the population in a circular area within a radius of 10 miles around an existing franchised dealer is less than 250,000, but the population in an area within a radius of 15 miles around an existing franchised dealer is 150,000 or more, the relevant market area shall be that circular area within the 15-mile radius.
3. For motor vehicle dealers except motorcycle dealers, in all other cases the relevant market area shall be a circular area within a radius of 20 miles around an existing franchised dealer or the area of responsibility defined in the franchise agreement, whichever is greater. In any case where the franchise agreement is silent as to area of responsibility, the relevant market area shall be the greater of a circular area within a radius of 20 miles around an existing franchised dealer or that area in which the franchisor otherwise requires the franchisee to make significant retail sales or sales efforts.
4. For motorcycle dealers, the relevant market area shall be a circular area within a radius of 20 miles if the population within such area around an existing franchised dealer location is one million or more. If the population in a circular area within a 20-mile radius is less than one million, the relevant market area shall be a circular area within a radius of 30 miles. If the population within a 30-mile radius is less than one million, the relevant market area shall be a circular area within a radius of 40 miles. In all cases, the relevant market area shall be the area described above or the area of responsibility defined in the franchise agreement, whichever is greater. In addition, the relevant market area shall include that area in which the franchisor otherwise requires the franchisee to make significant retail sales or sales efforts.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provision of this section, in the case of dealers in motor vehicles with gross vehicle weight ratings of 26,000 pounds or greater, excluding recreational vehicles, the relevant market area with respect to the dealer's franchise for all such vehicles shall be a

circular area around an existing franchised dealer with a radius of 25 miles, except where the population in such circular area is less than 250,000, in which case the relevant market area shall be a circular area around an existing franchised dealer with a radius of 50 miles, or the area of responsibility defined in the franchise, whichever is greater.

In determining population for relevant market areas, the most recent census by the U.S. Bureau of the Census or the most recent population update, either from the National Planning Data Corporation or other similar recognized source, shall be accumulated for all census tracts either wholly or partially within the relevant market area.

"Retail installment sale" means every sale of one or more motor vehicles to a buyer for his use and not for resale, in which the price of the vehicle is payable in one or more installments and in which the seller has either retained title to the goods or has taken or retained a security interest in the goods under form of contract designated either as a security agreement, conditional sale, bailment lease, chattel mortgage, or otherwise.

"Sale at retail" or "retail sale" means the act or attempted act of selling, bartering, exchanging, or otherwise disposing of a motor vehicle to a buyer for his personal use and not for resale.

"Sale at wholesale" or "wholesale" means a sale to motor vehicle dealers or wholesalers other than to consumers; a sale to one who intends to resell.

"Semitrailer" means every vehicle of the trailer type so designed and used in conjunction with another motor vehicle that some part of its own weight and that of its own load rests on or is carried by another vehicle.

"Tractor truck" means every motor vehicle designed and used primarily for drawing other vehicles and not so constructed as to carry a load other than a part of the load and weight of the vehicle attached thereto.

"Trailer" means every vehicle without motive power designed for carrying property or passengers wholly on its own structure and for being drawn by another motor vehicle, including semitrailers but not manufactured homes, watercraft trailers, camping trailers, or travel trailers.

"Travel trailer" means a vehicle designed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel use of such size or weight so as not to require a special highway movement permit when towed by a consumer-owned tow vehicle.

"Used motor vehicle" means any vehicle other than a new motor vehicle as defined in this section.

"Watercraft trailer" means any new or used trailer specifically designed to carry a watercraft or a motorboat and purchased, sold, or offered for sale by a watercraft dealer licensed under Chapter 8 (§ 29.1-800 et seq.) of Title 29.1.

"Watercraft trailer dealer" means any watercraft dealer licensed under Chapter 8 (§ 29.1-800 et seq.) of Title 29.1.

"Wholesale auction" means an auction of motor vehicles restricted to sales at wholesale.

§ 46.2-1508. Licenses required; penalty.

A. It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in business in the Commonwealth as a motor vehicle dealer or salesperson without first obtaining a license as provided in this chapter. It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in business in the Commonwealth as a manufacturer, factory branch, distributor, distributor branch, or factory or distributor representative without first obtaining a license from the Department. Every person licensed as a manufactured home dealer under Chapter 4.2 (§ 36-85.16 et seq.) of Title 36 shall obtain a certificate of dealer registration as provided in this chapter. Every person licensed as a watercraft dealer under Chapter 8 (§ 29.1-800 et seq.) of Title 29.1 and who offers for sale watercraft trailers shall obtain a certificate of dealer registration as provided in this chapter but shall not be required to obtain a dealer license unless he also sells other types of trailers. Any nonprofit organization exempt from taxation under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, after having obtained a nonprofit organization certificate as provided in this chapter, may consign donated motor vehicles to licensed Virginia motor vehicle dealers. Any person licensed in another state as a motor vehicle dealer may sell motor vehicles at wholesale auctions in the Commonwealth after having obtained a certificate of dealer registration as provided in this chapter. The offering or granting of a motor vehicle dealer franchise in the Commonwealth shall constitute engaging in business in the Commonwealth for purposes of this section, and no new motor vehicle may be sold or offered for sale in the Commonwealth unless the franchisor of motor vehicle dealer franchises for that line-make in the Commonwealth, whether such franchisor is a manufacturer, factory branch, distributor, distributor branch, or otherwise, is licensed under this chapter. In the event a license issued to a franchisor of motor vehicle dealer franchises is suspended, revoked, or not renewed, nothing in this section shall prevent the sale of any new motor vehicle of such franchisor's line-make manufactured in or brought into the Commonwealth for sale prior to the suspension, revocation or expiration of the license.

Violation of any provision of this subsection shall constitute a Class 1 misdemeanor, and such violation may also serve as the basis for injunctive relief pursuant to subsection B or C.

B. The Board may file a motion with the circuit court for the county or city in which a person who violated any provision of subsection A is located, or with the circuit court for the City of Richmond, and, upon a hearing and for cause shown, the court may grant an injunction restraining such person from violating any provision of subsection A, regardless of whether an adequate remedy at law exists. A single act in violation of the provisions of subsection A is sufficient basis to authorize the issuance of an injunction. The Board shall not be required to post an injunction bond or other security.

C. Any licensed motor vehicle dealer who sustains injury or damage to his business or property by reason of a violation of subsection A by any person that is not licensed as required by subsection A may file a motion with the circuit court for the county or city in which a person alleged to have committed such violation is located, and, upon a hearing and for cause shown, the court may grant a temporary or permanent injunction prohibiting any further such violation. A single act in violation of the provisions of subsection A shall be sufficient basis to show injury or damage to the business or property of the licensed motor vehicle dealer. A licensed

motor vehicle dealer shall not be required to post an injunction bond or other security.

D. If the Board, pursuant to subsection B, or a licensed motor vehicle dealer, pursuant to subsection C, is awarded an injunction, the court may also award reasonable attorney fees and costs.

~~E. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A, a manufacturer, factory branch, distributor, distributor branch, or factory or distributor representative engaged in the manufacture or distribution of all-terrain vehicles or off-road motorcycles that does not also manufacture or distribute in the Commonwealth any motorcycle designed for lawful use on the public highways shall not be required to obtain a license from the Department.~~

FE. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A, any manufacturer or distributor of transit buses that sells transit buses to a local government authority or nonprofit provider in the Commonwealth for the purposes of public transportation, as defined in 49 U.S.C. § 5302, shall not be required to obtain a manufacturers license from the Department of Motor Vehicles or a dealers license from the Motor Vehicle Dealer Board for such sales. For purposes of this subsection, "transit bus" means a rubber-tired automotive vehicle used for the provision of public transportation service by or for a recipient of federal or state funding allocated annually by the Commonwealth Transportation Board.

§ 46.2-1573.25. Motorcycle dealers filing of franchises.

Except as otherwise provided in this section, each motorcycle manufacturer, factory branch, distributor, distributor branch, or subsidiary thereof shall file with the Commissioner a true copy of each new, amended, modified, or different form or addendum offered to more than one dealer that affects the rights, responsibilities, or obligations of the parties of a franchise or sales, service, or sales and service agreement to be offered to a motorcycle dealer or prospective motorcycle dealer in the Commonwealth no later than 60 days prior to the date the franchise or sales agreement is offered. In no event shall a new, amended, modified, or different form of franchise or sales, service, or sales and service agreement be offered a motorcycle dealer in the Commonwealth until the form has been determined by the Commissioner as not containing terms inconsistent with the provisions of this chapter. At the time a filing is made with the Commissioner pursuant to this section, the manufacturer, factory branch, distributor, distributor branch, or subsidiary shall also give written notice together with a copy of the papers so filed to the affected dealer or dealers.

~~The provisions of this article shall not apply to a manufacturer, factory branch, distributor, distributor branch, or factory or distributor representative engaged in the manufacture or distribution of all-terrain vehicles or off-road motorcycles that does not also manufacture or does not also distribute in the Commonwealth any motorcycle designed for lawful use on the public highways."~~

Page 668, line 24, strike "5." and insert "6."

Page 668, line 26, strike "6." and insert "7."

Page 668, line 28, strike "7." and insert "8."

Page 668, line 30, strike "8." and insert "9."

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Page 668, line 30, after "first" strike "enactment" and insert "and fifth enactments".

Explanation:

(This amendment amends three Code sections pursuant to the selling of All Terrain Vehicles by manufacturers. The language changes included in this amendment are set to expire at the end of the 2026-28 biennium.)
