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Department of Rail and Public Transportation

Item 518	First Year - FY2001	Second Year - FY2002
Mass Transit Assistance (60900)	\$122,152,415	\$122,878,115
Special Programs (60901)	\$1,407,900	\$1,407,900
Formula Assistance (60902)	\$76,186,315	\$76,912,015
Capital Assistance (60903)	\$22,664,600	\$22,664,600
Federal and Regulatory Programs (60904)	\$21,893,600	\$21,893,600
Fund Sources:		
Commonwealth Transportation	\$122,152,415	\$122,878,115

Authority: Titles 33.1 and 58.1, Code of Virginia.

A.1. Of the amounts shown as Commonwealth Transportation funds, \$102,228,900 the first year and \$106,407,600 the second year is appropriated from the Transportation Trust Fund.

2. Included in this item is \$14,700,000 the first year and \$14,700,000 the second year from the general fund, as provided by the Transportation Trust Fund state highway allocation formula. Out of this appropriation, \$14,188,887 the first year and \$14,190,825 the second year, will be used to bolster mass transit projects around the state. In addition, out of this appropriation, \$511,113 the first year and \$509,175 the second year shall be used for debt service for bonds issued by the Virginia Resources Authority for the Eastern Shore Railroad.

B.1. The Commonwealth Transportation Board shall allocate all funds for Mass Transit Assistance, other than Federal and Regulatory Programs, as provided in § 58.1-638, Code of Virginia.

2. The allocation of Formula Assistance to each recipient shall be limited to the recipient's eligibility for state administrative, ridesharing, fuel, tires, and maintenance parts and supplies assistance as defined in § 58.1-638, Code of Virginia. When the initial distribution to a recipient is greater than the recipient's eligibility to receive Formula Assistance, the Commonwealth Transportation Board may transfer the surplus funds to the statewide Capital Assistance distribution under this program.

C. Out of the amounts for Federal and Regulatory Programs funds estimated at \$195,888 the first year and \$195,888 the second year from the Commonwealth Transportation Fund shall be paid to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission, as provided in the Washington Metropolitan Transit Regulation Compact.

D. Funds from a stable and reliable source, as required in Public Law 96-184, as amended, are to be provided to Metro Rail from payments authorized and allocated in this program and pursuant to § 58.1-1720, Code of Virginia.

E. Funds appropriated to the Department of Rail and Public Transportation and allocated to the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission to be allocated to its member jurisdictions are held in trust by the Commission for

those jurisdictions until released by specific authorization from the governing bodies of the jurisdictions for the purpose for which funds were appropriated.

F. The Commonwealth Transportation Board shall operate a program entitled the Transportation Efficiency Improvement Fund (TEIF). The purpose of the TEIF program is to reduce traffic congestion by supporting transportation demand management programs designed to reduce the use of single occupant vehicles and to increase the use of high occupancy vehicle modes. Using transportation revenues generally available to the Board, funds shall be apportioned as determined by the Board to designated transportation projects in addition to funds allocated pursuant to § 33.1-23.1, Code of Virginia. Total TEIF program funding shall not exceed \$1,900,000 the first year and \$1,900,000 the second year. Eligible applicants for grants shall include local governing bodies, transportation district commissions, planning district commissions, metropolitan planning organizations, public service corporations, and transportation management associations whose applications are approved by an eligible public recipient or whose Board includes elected representatives from member jurisdictions.

G. From the Commonwealth Transportation Fund, \$5,000,000 the first year and \$5,000,000 the second year is designated for the Public Transit Capital Fund. The Commonwealth Transportation Board is hereby authorized to allocate these funds as grants or matching funds, including funds used for debt service payments, for major transit capital projects in the Commonwealth.