2006 Special Session I

Budget Bill - HB5002 (Chapter 3)

Department of Veterans Services

Item 82	First Year - FY2007	Second Year - FY2008
Historic and Commemorative Attraction Management (50200)	**$682,631**	**$718,060**
State Veterans Cemetery Management and Operations (50206)	$682,631	$718,060
Fund Sources:		
General	$435,171	$470,600
Special	$247,460	$247,460

Authority: Title 2.2, Chapters 20, 24, 26, 27, Code of Virginia.

The Commissioner, Department of Veterans Services, shall commission a study, not to exceed $50,000 in cost, to examine the need for and cost of additional veterans cemeteries in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The scope of the study shall encompass Virginia's state-owned veterans cemeteries and national veterans cemeteries that currently exist in or may be constructed in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The study shall (i) examine the current services provided by either state and national veterans cemeteries in the Commonwealth of Virginia; (ii) identify situations where the cemetery needs of Virginia's veterans are not presently met by a state or national veterans cemetery; (iii) recommend how Virginia and the federal government can improve the cemetery services provided to Virginia's veterans and identify the related costs of such services; and (iv) recommend whether Virginia should acquire property for additional veterans cemeteries and identify the related costs of additional cemeteries. The Commissioner shall report the results of the study to the Governor and the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees no later than November 1, 2006.