VIRGINIA STATE BUDGET

2008 Session

Budget Bill - HB29 (Chapter 847)

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Item 225 (Not set out)	First Year - FY2007	Second Year - FY2008
Educational and General Programs (10000)	\$56,941,995	\$59,905,262
Higher Education Instruction (100101)	\$33,755,721	\$37,008,021
Higher Education Research (100102)	\$789,053	\$789,053
Higher Education Public Services (100103)	\$111,985	\$111,985
Higher Education Academic Support (100104)	\$4,568,069	\$4,568,069
Higher Education Student Services (100105)	\$3,103,579	\$3,103,579
Higher Education Institutional Support (100106)	\$8,630,640	\$8,322,422
Operation and Maintenance of Plant (100107)	\$5,982,948	\$6,002,133
Fund Sources:		
General	\$31,743,590	\$33,128,845
Higher Education Operating	\$25,198,405	\$26,776,417

Authority: Title 23, Chapter 13, Code of Virginia.

A. This Item includes general and nongeneral fund appropriations to support institutional initiatives that help meet statewide goals described in the Restructured Higher Education Financial and Administrative Operations Act of 2005 (Chapters 933 and 945, 2005 Acts of Assembly).

- B.1. Out of this appropriation, \$2,880,862 the first year and \$2,880,862 the second year from the general fund is designated for continued enhancement of the existing Bachelor of Science academic programs in Computer Science, Manufacturing Engineering, Computer Engineering, Mass Communications and Criminal Justice, and the Doctoral program in Education.
- 2. Out of the amounts for programs listed in paragraph B.1. of this Item shall be provided \$909,777 the first year and \$909,777 the second year from the general fund for lease payments through the Master Equipment Leasing Program for educational and general equipment.
- 3. Out of the amounts for Educational and General Programs, \$37,500 each year from the general fund is provided to serve in lieu of endowment income for the Eminent Scholars Program.
- 4. In conjunction with the Secretary of Education, Virginia State University shall develop the following:
- a. a timetable for implementing the academic programs funded in B.1. above, including a plan for recruiting faculty, staff, and students;

- b. a means by which to assess the effectiveness toward meeting the goals of the new programs; and
- c. periodic reports on the expenditures of the funds provided.
- 5. Any unexpended balances in paragraphs B.1., B.2. and B.3. in this Item at the close of business on June 30, 2006 and June 30, 2007 shall not revert to the surplus of the general fund but shall be carried forward on the books of the State Comptroller and reappropriated in the succeeding year.
- C. This appropriation includes \$200,000 the first year and \$200,000 the second year from the general fund to increase the number of faculty with terminal degrees to at least 85 percent of the total teaching faculty.
- D. Out of this appropriation, Virginia State University is authorized to use up to \$600,000 the first year and \$600,000 the second year to address extremely critical deferred maintenance deficiencies in its facilities, including residence halls and dining facilities.
- E. This appropriation includes \$99,536 from the general fund and \$120,190 from nongeneral funds the first year and \$99,536 from the general fund and \$120,190 from nongeneral funds the second year for the first and second of five annual payments for the purchase and installation of equipment totaling \$1,001,000 for the new campus administrative system. Annual payments in years three through five are expected to be \$99,536 from the general fund and \$120,190 from nongeneral funds each year.
- F. As Virginia's public colleges and universities approach full funding of the base adequacy guidelines and as the General Assembly strives to fully fund the general fund share of the base adequacy guidelines, these funds are provided with the intent that, in exercising their authority to set tuition and fees, the Board of Visitors shall take into consideration the impact of escalating college costs for Virginia students and families. In accordance with the cost-sharing goals set forth in § 4-2.01 b. of this act, the Board of Visitors is encouraged to limit increases on tuition and mandatory educational and general fees for in-state, undergraduate students to the extent possible.
- G. Out of this appropriation, \$24,578 the second year from the general fund is provided to increase the average salary of nursing faculty by 10 percent, effective November 25, 2007. This additional funding will help to attract and retain nursing faculty that are needed to address a shortage of nurses in the Commonwealth.
- H. Out of this appropriation, \$352,500 and 2.82 positions from the general fund and \$397,500 and 3.18 positions from nongeneral funds the second year is designated for the expansion of the university's logistics program. This additional funding will assist the university in its effort to establish a bachelor's degree in Industrial Technology.