2014 Special Session I

Budget Bill - HB5004 (Introduced)

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Department of Historic Resources

Item 369	First Year - FY2015	Second Year - FY2016
Historic and Commemorative Attraction Management (50200)	**$6,647,495**	**$6,656,979**
Financial Assistance for Historic Preservation (50204)	$2,044,194	$2,044,339
Historic Resource Management (50205)	$4,603,301	$4,612,640
Fund Sources:		
General	$4,539,332	$4,548,713
Special	$671,584	$671,687
Commonwealth Transportation	$100,000	$100,000
Federal Trust	$1,336,579	$1,336,579

Authority: Title 10.1, Chapters 22 and 23, Code of Virginia.

A. General fund appropriations for historic and commemorative attractions not identified in § 10.1-2211 or § 10.1-2211.1, Code of Virginia, shall be matched by local or private sources, either in cash or in-kind, in amounts at least equal to the appropriation and which are deemed to be acceptable to the department.

B. In emergency situations which shall be defined as those posing a threat to life, safety or property, § 10.1-2213, Code of Virginia, shall not apply.

C.1. Out of the amounts for Financial Assistance for Historic Preservation shall be paid from the general fund grants to the following organization for the purposes prescribed in § 10.1-2211, Code of Virginia:

ORGANIZATION	FY 2015	FY 2016
United Daughters of the Confederacy	$82,585	$82,585

Notwithstanding the cited Code section, the United Daughters of the Confederacy shall make disbursements to the treasurers of Confederate memorial associations and chapters of the United Daughters of the Confederacy for the purposes stated in that section. By November 1 of each year, the United Daughters of the Confederacy shall submit to the Director, Department of Historic Resources a report documenting the disbursement of these funds for their specified purpose.

2. As disbursements are made to the treasurers of Confederate memorial associations and chapters of the United Daughters of the Confederacy by the United Daughters of the Confederacy for the purposes stated in § 10.1-2211, Code of Virginia, an amount equal to $7,500 each year shall be distributed to the Ladies Memorial Association of Petersburg.

3. As disbursements are made to the treasurers of Confederate memorial associations and chapters of the United Daughters of the Confederacy by the United Daughters of the Confederacy for the purposes stated in § 10.1-2211, Code of Virginia, an amount equal to $90 the first year and $90 the second year shall be distributed to the Town of Coeburn Municipal Graveyard.

D. Notwithstanding the requirements of § 10.1-2211.1, Code of Virginia, $2,850 the first year and $2,850 the second year from the general fund shall be disbursed to the Sons of the American Revolution for the care of Revolutionary War graves and cemeteries.

E. Included in this appropriation is $100,000 the first year and $100,000 the second year in nongeneral funds from the Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund to support the Department of Historic Resources' required reviews of transportation projects.

F. The Department of Historic Resources is authorized to accept a devise of certain real property under the will of Elizabeth Rust Williams known as Clermont Farm located on Route 7 east of the town of Berryville in Clarke County. If, after due consideration of options, the department determines that the property should be sold or leased to a different public or private entity, and notwithstanding the provisions of § 2.2-1156, Code of Virginia, then the department is further authorized to sell or lease such property, provided such sale or lease is not in conflict with the terms of the will. The proceeds of any such sale or lease shall be deposited to the Historic Resources Fund established under § 10.1-2202.1, Code of Virginia.

G.1. Notwithstanding the requirements of § 10.1-2213.1, Code of Virginia, $459,382 the first year and $459,382 the second year from the general fund is provided as a matching grant for charitable contributions received by the Montpelier Foundation on or after July 1, 2003, that were actually spent in the material restoration of Montpelier between July 1, 2003, and September 30, 2009.

2. It is the intent of the General Assembly that over the remaining term of the grant authorized by § 10.1-2213.1, Code of Virginia, Montpelier shall receive the full amount of matching funds provided by the Code of Virginia. In order to meet this provision, level funding will be provided for the remainder of the grant.

H. The Department of Historic Resources shall follow and provide input on federal legislation designed to establish a new national system of recognizing and funding Presidential Libraries for those entities that are not included in the 1955 Presidential Library Act.

I. Included in this appropriation is $1,000,000 the first year and $1,000,000 the second year from the general fund to be deposited into the Civil War Historic Site Preservation Fund for grants to be made in accordance with § 10.1-2202.4, Code of Virginia. Any moneys remaining in the Fund, including interest thereon, at the end of each fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund but shall remain in the Fund.

J. The Department of Historic Resources is authorized to require applicants for tax credits for historic rehabilitation projects under § 58.1-339.2, Code of Virginia, to provide an audit by a certified public accountant licensed in Virginia, in accordance with guidelines developed by the department in consultation with the Auditor of Public Accounts. The department is also authorized to contract with tax, financial, and other professionals to assist the department with the oversight of historic rehabilitation projects for which tax credits are anticipated.