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Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

Item 221	First Year - FY2015	Second Year - FY2016
Educational and General Programs (10000)	\$570,517,260 \$590,061,336	\$570,535,160 \$590,079,236
Higher Education Instruction (100101)	\$325,820,705 \$331,239,669	\$325,838,596 \$331,118,519
Higher Education Research (100102)	\$23,457,632	\$23,457,632
Higher Education Public Services (100103)	\$18,072,889 \$21,512,639	\$18,072,889 \$21,512,639
Higher Education Academic (100104)	\$69,854,379 \$70,803,345	\$69,854,379 \$71,373,029
Higher Education Student Services (100105)	\$17,652,600 \$18,417,672	\$17,652,600 \$18,473,681
Higher Education Institutional Support (100106)	\$52,964,053 \$56,858,732	\$52,964,062 \$56,576,878
Operation and Maintenance Of Plant (100107)	\$62,695,002 \$67,771,647	\$62,695,002 \$67,566,858
Fund Sources:		
General	\$151,525,781 \$145,283,725	\$151,543,673 \$145,301,617
Higher Education Operating	\$418,991,479 \$444,777,611	\$418,991,487 \$444,777,619

Authority: Title 23, Chapter 11, 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. Out of this appropriation shall be expended an amount estimated at \$869,882 the first year and \$869,882 the second year from the general fund and \$436,357 the first year and \$436,357 the second year from nongeneral funds are designated for the educational telecommunications project to provide graduate engineering education For supplemental budget requests, the participating institutions and centers jointly shall submit a report in support of such requests to the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia for review and recommendation to the Governor and General Assembly.

C. Out of this appropriation, \$313,770 the first year and \$313,770 the second year from the general fund is designated to support the Marion duPont Scott Equine Center of the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine.

D. Out of this appropriation, \$234,987 the first year and \$234,987 the second year from the general fund is

designated to support tobacco research for medicinal purposes and field tests at sites in Blackstone and Abingdon.

E. 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.

F. The appropriation for the fund source Higher Education Operating in this Item shall be considered a sum sufficient appropriation, which is an estimate of the amount of revenues to be collected for the educational and general program under the terms of the management agreement between Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University and the Commonwealth, as set forth in Chapters 933 and 943, of the 2006 Acts of Assembly.

G. Out of this appropriation, \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the second year from the general fund is designated to develop a STEM Industry Internship program in partnership with the Virginia Space Grant Consortium, Virginia Regional Technology Councils and industry. The program will provide 75 undergraduate students across the Commonwealth an opportunity to centrally apply for real world work experience and provide Virginia's industries with access to qualified interns. Virginia Tech will partner with the Virginia Space Grant Consortium and work with Virginia's Regional Technology Councils who will serve as the program's conduit to industry, advertising the program and linking with interested industry partners.

H. The 4-VA, a public-private partnership among George Mason University, James Madison University, Virginia Tech, University of Virginia and CISCO Systems, Inc, was established to utilize emerging technologies to promote collaboration and resource sharing to increase access, reduce time to graduation and reduce unit cost while maintaining and enhancing quality. Instructional talent across the four institutions will be leveraged in the delivery of programs in foreign languages, science, technology, engineering and mathematics. The 4-VA Management Board can expand this partnership to additional institutions as appropriate to meet the goals of the 4-VA initiative. It is expected that funding will be pooled by the management board as required to support continuing efforts of the 4-VA priorities and projects.

I. Virginia Tech is granted authorization to convey 47.83 acres of land to the Virginia Tech-Montgomery Regional Airport Authority for the runway expansion acquisition. The acquisition will be funded, with no cost to the Commonwealth, through the Federal Aviation Administration property acquisition funds. The property shall be transferred to the authority upon such consideration as deemed appropriate. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the proceeds from the transfer shall be applied entirely to support relocation costs of the university's agricultural programs and related facilities.

J. Based on the final strategies implemented by the institution to meet its budget reductions required by Chapter 3, 2014 Special Session 1, the institution can adjust any of the amounts embedded in language under this Item to be consistent with those reduction strategies.