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# VIRGINIA STATE BUDGET

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2016 Session

## Budget Bill - HB30 (Chapter 780)

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Department of Aviation

Item 438	First Year - FY2017	Second Year - FY2018
<b>Financial Assistance for Airports (65400)</b>	<b>\$28,351,475</b>	<b>\$28,351,475</b>
Financial Assistance for Airport Maintenance (65401)	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Financial Assistance for Airport Development (65404)	\$25,976,475	\$25,976,475
Financial Assistance for Aviation Promotion (65405)	\$1,375,000	\$1,375,000
Fund Sources:		
Commonwealth Transportation	\$28,351,475	\$28,351,475

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Authority: Title 5.1, Chapters 1, 3, and 5; Title 58.1, Chapter 6, Code of Virginia.

A. It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Department of Aviation match federal funds for Airport Assistance to the maximum extent possible. In furtherance of this maximization, the Commonwealth Transportation Board may request funding from the Commonwealth Airport Fund for surface transportation projects that provide airport access. The Aviation Board shall consider such requests and provide funding as it so approves. However, the legislative intent expressed herein shall not be construed to prohibit the Virginia Aviation Board from allocating funds for promotional activities in the event that federal matching funds are unavailable.

B. The department is authorized to expend up to \$400,000 the first year and \$400,000 the second year from Aviation Special Funds to support a partnership between industry, academia, and Virginia Small Aircraft Transportation System. The project shall target research efforts to promote safety and greater access for rural airports.

C. The department is authorized to pay to the Civil Air Patrol \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the second year from Aviation Special Funds. The provisions of § 2.2-1505, Code of Virginia, and § 4-5.05 of this act shall not apply to the Civil Air Patrol.

D. Out of the amounts included in this Item, \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the second year shall be paid to the Washington Airports Task Force.

E. The Department of Aviation is directed to undertake a review of the programs and funding supported by the share of revenues from the Transportation Trust Fund dedicated to the department and to provide a report to the Chairmen of the House Appropriations, Senate Finance, and House and Senate Transportation Committees by November 15, 2016. Such report shall include (i) the allocation of funds by airport, annually and cumulatively over the preceding five fiscal years, (ii) a review of revenues, expenditures and balances by program for each of the preceding five fiscal years; (iii) a description of the goals, objectives and outcomes for each program funded by the Department; (iv) gaps in funding requested and allocated by program and by airport; and, (v) the statutory dedication of funding to the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority.