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# VIRGINIA STATE BUDGET

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2016 Session

## Budget Bill - HB30 (Chapter 780)

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Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

### Item 93

First Year - FY2017

Second Year - FY2018

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| <b>Plant Pest and Disease Control (53500)</b>                  | <b>\$3,252,110</b> | <b>\$3,252,110</b> |
| Plant Pest and Disease Prevention and Control Services (53504) | \$3,252,110        | \$3,252,110        |
| Fund Sources:  |                    |                    |
| General  | \$2,096,839        | \$2,096,839        |
| Special  | \$309,528          | \$309,528          |
| Federal Trust  | \$845,743          | \$845,743          |

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Authority: Title 3.2, Chapters 7, 8, 9, 10, 28, 38, 41.4 and 44; Title 15.2, Chapter 18, Code of Virginia.

A. Out of the amounts in this Item, \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the second year from the general fund shall be deposited to the Beehive Grant Fund for the payment of grants in accordance with § [3.2-4415](#) et seq., Code of Virginia. The department may disburse from the Fund its reasonable costs and expenses incurred in the administration and management of the Fund up to \$25,000 in each year.

B. The Commissioner shall enter into agreements with local and state agencies, or other persons, for the control of black vultures, coyotes, and other wildlife that pose danger to agricultural animals. The Commissioner shall enter into an agreement with the federal government to establish and maintain the Virginia Cooperative Wildlife Damage Management Program. Pursuant to this requirement, the memorandum of agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Wildlife Services (WS) shall be updated on or before December 31, 2016 to ensure continuation of the partnership.