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Item 438	First Year - FY2017	Second Year - FY2018
Financial Assistance for Airports (65400)	\$28,351,475	\$28,351,475
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

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. Notwithstanding § 33.2-1527B. of the Code of Virginia, out of the funds made available in Item 454, \$25,000,000 the first year and \$25,000,000 the second year shall be provided to the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority to reduce the passenger cost per enplanement at Washington Dulles International Airport to help attract and retain air carriers. Prior to the release of funds the Authority shall enter into an agreement with the department to ensure the funds provided under this Item are to supplement not supplant funds and existing efforts to reduce passenger cost per enplanement at Washington Dulles International Airport.

E. 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.