
VIRGINIA STATE BUDGET

2019 Session

Budget Bill - HB1700 (Chapter 854)

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Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy

Item 117	First Year - FY2019	Second Year - FY2020
Resource Management Research, Planning, and Coordination (50700)	\$3,116,931	\$3,116,931 \$3,253,931
Energy Conservation Advisory Services (50703)	\$50,000	\$50,000
Energy Conservation and Alternative Energy Supply Programs (50705)	\$3,066,931	\$3,066,931 \$3,203,931
Fund Sources:		
General	\$1,002,560	\$1,002,560 \$1,139,560
Special	\$96,252	\$96,252
Federal Trust	\$2,018,119	\$2,018,119

Authority: Title 45.1, Chapter 26, Code of Virginia.

A. Out of this appropriation, \$38,362 the first year and \$38,362 the second year from the general fund shall be provided for dues and expenses for the Southern States Energy Board.

B. To defray the costs of implementing the Virginia Energy Management Program, the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy is authorized to have included in state fuel oil, natural gas, electricity, and similar energy contracts a provision for suppliers to collect from using agencies and remit to the department an administrative surcharge. The surcharge shall reflect the department's actual costs to administer the program. Additionally, the department is authorized, consistent with federal funding rules, to distribute energy-related federal funds as grants or as loans to other state or nonstate agencies for use in financing energy-related projects, and to recover from the recipient an administrative service charge to recover the department's costs of administering such grant or loan programs.

C. Out of this appropriation, \$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the second year from the general fund shall be used for the Virginia Solar Development Authority working with the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy to conduct a study to determine whether or not future legislation in the form of regulatory reforms and incentives will prove fruitful in encouraging emerging energy storage capacity in the Commonwealth.

D. Out of this appropriation, \$137,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to support one position within the Division of Energy to assist localities with siting, procurement, land use concerns, and other solar energy-related issues.