
VIRGINIA STATE BUDGET

2022 Special Session I

Budget Bill - HB30 (Introduced)

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Department of Health

Item 296	First Year - FY2023	Second Year - FY2024
Drinking Water Improvement (50800)	\$37,678,013	\$37,678,013
Drinking Water Regulation (50801)	\$12,776,972	\$12,776,972
Drinking Water Construction Financing (50802)	\$24,414,312	\$24,414,312
Public Health Toxicology (50805)	\$486,729	\$486,729
Fund Sources:		
General	\$8,488,376	\$8,488,376
Special	\$6,399,996	\$6,399,996
Dedicated Special Revenue	\$19,539,712	\$19,539,712
Federal Trust	\$3,249,929	\$3,249,929

Authority: §§ [32.1-163](#) through [32.1-176.7](#), [32.1-246](#), [32.1-246.1](#), and [62.1-44.18](#) through [62.1-44.19:9](#), Code of Virginia; and P.L. 92-500, P.L. 93-523 and P.L. 95-217, Federal Code.

A. It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Virginia Department of Health be the agency designated to receive and manage general and nongeneral funds appropriated pursuant to the federal Safe Drinking Water Act of 1996.

B. The fee schedule for charges to community waterworks shall be adjusted to the level necessary to cover the cost of operating the Waterworks Technical Assistance Program, consistent with § [32.1-171.1](#), Code of Virginia, and shall not exceed \$3.00 per connection to all community waterworks.

C. Any positions necessary for the Office of Drinking Water to perform regulatory functions in dispersing federal State and Local Recovery Funds (SLRF) pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) for drinking water infrastructure shall be restricted positions and shall expire at the end of the grant period.

D. Out of this appropriation, \$1,500,000 the first year and \$1,500,000 the second year from the general fund shall be provided to the Virginia Department of Health to implement a Water Sampling Verification Program. The program shall ensure sampling is valid and representative of the actual water quality and conditions at the waterworks.