2023 Special Session I

Budget Bill - HB6001 (Enrolled)

Marine Resources Commission

Item 388	First Year - FY2023	Second Year - FY2024
Marine Life Management (50500)	**$23,723,122**	**$23,697,972**
Marine Life Information Services (50501)	$1,392,916	$1,392,916
Marine Life Regulation Enforcement (50503)	$10,039,118	$10,039,118
Artificial Reef Construction (50506)	$69,520	$69,520
Chesapeake Bay Fisheries Management (50507)	$6,109,630	$6,084,480
Oyster Propagation and Habitat Improvement (50508)	$6,111,938	$6,111,938
Fund Sources:		
General	$12,211,228	$12,186,078
Special	$7,239,719	$7,239,719
Commonwealth Transportation	$313,768	$313,768
Dedicated Special Revenue	$650,513	$650,513
Federal Trust	$3,307,894	$3,307,894

Authority: Title 18.2, Chapters 1 and 5; Title 19.2, Chapters 1, 5 and 7; Title 28.2, Chapters 1 through 10; Title 29.1, Chapter 7; Title 32.1, Chapter 6; Title 33.2, Chapter 1; and Title 62.1, Chapters 18 and 20, Code of Virginia.

A. Out of this appropriation, $54,611 the first year and $54,611 the second year from the general fund is provided for annual membership dues to the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission.

B. Out of this appropriation, $148,750 the first year and $148,750 the second year from the general fund is provided for annual membership dues to the Potomac River Fisheries Commission.

C. Out of the amounts for Marine Life Regulation Enforcement shall be paid into the Marine Patrols Fund, $169,248 the first year and $169,248 the second year, pursuant to § 28.2-108, Code of Virginia. For this purpose, cash shall be transferred from the Commonwealth Transportation Fund.

D. Pursuant to § 58.1-2289 D, Code of Virginia, $144,520 the first year and $144,520 the second year shall be transferred to Marine Life Regulation Enforcement from the Commonwealth Transportation Fund from unrefunded motor fuel taxes for boats and paid into the Marine Patrols Fund.

E. 1. Out of this appropriation, $4,000,000 the first year and $4,000,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to support oyster replenishment and oyster restoration activities. From these amounts $1,500,000 the first year and $1,500,000 the second year from the general fund shall be used to provide support for oyster restoration.

2. Any unexpended general fund balances designated by the agency for oyster remediation activities remaining in this Item on June 30, 2023, and on June 30, 2024 shall be reappropriated and reallotted to the Marine Resources Commission for expenditure.

F. The commission shall deposit proceeds from the sale of oyster shells, oyster seeds, and other subaqueous materials pursuant to § 28.2-550, Code of Virginia, to the Public Oyster Rock Replenishment Fund established by § 28.2-542, Code of Virginia. The proceeds from such sale shall be used for the same purposes specified in § 28.2-542 , Code of Virginia.

G. Out of the amounts in this Item, $14,710 the first year and $14,710 the second year from the general fund is included for the purchase of outboard motors through the Commonwealth's Master Equipment Leasing Program.