## VIRGINIA STATE BUDGET

2024 Special Session I

## Budget Bill - HB6001 (Chapter 2)

Bill Order » Office of Agriculture and Forestry » Item 87 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

| Item 87   | First Year - FY2025 | Second Year - FY2026 |
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| Economic Development Services (53400)                 | \$3,452,698         | \$2,452,698          |
| Financial Assistance for Economic Development (53410) | \$3,452,698         | \$2,452,698          |
| Fund Sources: General                                 | \$3,452,698         | \$2,452,698          |
| General   | ψ3,132,070          | ψ2,132,070           |

Authority: Title 3.2, Chapter 3.1, Code of Virginia.

A. Out of the amounts in this Item, \$2,250,000 the first year and \$1,250,000 the second year from the general fund shall be deposited to the Governor's Agriculture and Forestry Industries Development Fund for the payment of grants or loans in accordance § 3.2-303 et seq., Code of Virginia. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, at the discretion of the Governor, the cap on the amount of funding that may be awarded to an individual project as provided in § 3.2-305, Code of Virginia, may be waived for qualifying projects of regional or statewide interest.

B. Out of the amounts in this Item, \$600,000 the first year and \$600,000 the second year from the general fund shall be deposited to the Dairy Producer Margin Coverage Premium Assistance Fund established pursuant to § 3.2-3305.1, Code of Virginia.

C. Out of the amounts in this Item, \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the second year from the general fund is provided for the Blue Catfish Processing, Flash Freezing, and Infrastructure Grant Program established pursuant to § 3.2-312, Code of Virginia.