2026 Special Session I

Budget Bill - HB30 (Enrolled)

Secretary of Veterans and Defense Affairs

Item 454	First Year - FY2027	Second Year - FY2028
Economic Development Services (53400)	**$5,425,150**	**$3,425,150**
Financial Assistance for Economic Development (53410)	$5,425,150	$3,425,150
Fund Sources:		
General	$2,950,651	$950,651
Trust and Agency	$2,474,499	$2,474,499

Authority: Title 2.2, Chapter 2, Article 11 Code of Virginia

A.1. Any administrative reappropriations or other administrative appropriation increases pursuant to Item 458 of the Appropriation Act for the 2014-2016 biennium to address the encroachment of incompatible uses in localities in which the United States Navy Master Jet Base, an auxiliary landing field, or United States Air Force Base are located shall continue to be governed by the provisions contained in the 2014-2016 Appropriation Act. The recurring, dedicated special (nongeneral) fund component of the U.S. Navy Master Jet Base and Auxiliary Landing Field encroachment mitigation program is continued through June 30, 2028.

2. In the event that dedicated special revenues generated pursuant to the provisions of the 2014-16 Appropriations Act exceed the amounts needed to fund the requirements set out in that Act, any excess dedicated special fund revenue a total of $3,000,000 is hereby appropriated as follows:

a. $1,700,000 for encroachment mitigation activities in the vicinity of Naval Auxiliary Landing Field Fentress;

b. $700,000 for encroachment mitigation activities in the vicinity of Langley Air Force Base; and

c. $600,000 for encroachment mitigation activities in the vicinity of Naval Air Station Oceana.

3. The amounts identified in paragraph A.2. of this item shall be used to provide additional assistance to the locality in which the United States Navy Master Jet Base auxiliary landing field is located for the purpose of purchasing property or development rights and otherwise converting such property to an appropriate compatible use and prohibiting new uses or development which is deemed incompatible with air operations arising from such Master Jet Base.

4. In addition to the amounts identified in paragraph A.1. of this item, $450,000 is hereby appropriated as follows:

a. $250,000 for encroachment mitigation activities in the vicinity of Naval Auxiliary Landing Field Fentress; and

b. $200,000 for encroachment mitigation activities in the vicinity of Joint Base Langley Eustis.

5. Included in this appropriation is $350,000 the first year and $350,000 the second year from the general fund for

encroachment mitigation activities in the vicinity of Joint Base Langley Eustis.

6. The Secretary shall submit a report by November 1, 2026, to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Committee and the Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee. Such report shall include: (i) a plan for how additional flexibility for encroachment mitigation program funding would be used, if provided; and (ii) a decription of the source or sources of dedicated special revenue appropriated in this section.

B. Included in this appropriation is $600,000 in the first year and $600,000 in the second year from the general fund to support the recommendations of the Governor's Commission on Military Installations and Defense Activities.

C. The Secretary of Veterans and Defense Affairs may submit project requests that improve, expand, develop, or redevelop a federal or state military installation or its supporting infrastructure, to enhance its military value to the MEI Project Approval Commission established pursuant to § 30-309, Code of Virginia. The Commission shall recommend approval or denial of such packages to the General Assembly. The authority of the Commission to consider and evaluate such projects shall be in addition to the authorities provided to the MEI Project Approval Commission and § 30-310, Code of Virginia.

D. Out of the amounts in this Item, $2,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided for the Virginia Military Community Infrastructure Grant Program.