

Independent Agencies

Funding of \$900,000 GF and \$3.2 million NGF for the Virginia Office of Protection and Advocacy is proposed to be transferred to the Office of Administration. Legislation to create the Office of Protection and Advocacy was vetoed by the Governor. Amendments proposed for the Virginia Retirement System would add 7.0 FTE positions to address increased workload and would increase the compensation of the director. A language amendment to the Virginia College Savings Plan earmarks \$50,000 NGF for the Virginia College Dream Foundation.

- **Virginia College Savings Plan**
 - **Virginia College Dream Foundation.** Earmarks \$25,000 NGF the first year and \$25,000 NGF the second year for expenses of the Virginia College Dream Foundation.
- **Virginia Retirement System**
 - **Additional FTE Employees.** Provides an additional 7.0 FTE positions each year to meet increased workload. These positions will be funded within the existing nongeneral fund appropriation.
 - **Director's Compensation.** Increases the salary of the director from \$120,986 to \$144,927 the first year and to \$150,000 the second year. The language also gives the Board authority to pay the director an annual bonus of up to 20 percent. This increase reflects the action of the VRS Board.
- **Virginia Office for Protection and Advocacy**
 - **Transfer Appropriation.** Transfers the appropriation of the Virginia Office for protection and Advocacy to the Department for Rights of Virginians with Disabilities under the Secretary of Administration. This results in a reduction under Independent Agencies of \$437,357 GF and 6.88 FTE positions and \$1.6 million NGF and 19.12 FTE positions the first year and \$437,357 GF and 6.88 FTE positions and \$1.6 million NGF and 19.12 FTE positions the second year.