



Report on Special Projects

(Amendments to SB 700,
as Introduced)

Senate Finance Committee
Virginia General Assembly

February 6, 2005

Members of the Committee:

This year, members of the Senate submitted \$47.5 million in requests for state grants to support over 100 historic landmarks and non-state agencies throughout the Commonwealth. Additionally, as you well know, SB 1129 proposed to provide a total of \$85.6 million to 19 worthy local and regional projects throughout the Commonwealth. Under the bill, these would have been funded by VPBA bonds with debt service paid by the Commonwealth.

As I've said, now is not the time to backtrack on the commitment we made to the citizens of Virginia last year to get our fiscal house in order. Our general fund debt capacity, while large, must be reserved for projects that support core services.

Beyond the "credit card" issue, it has been a few years since the Senate has had a Report on Non-State Agencies at all, given the dire fiscal situation.

These various organizations are indeed of great value to our communities and the Commonwealth as a whole. As such, all of these requests for state assistance have been reviewed with a critical eye -- but not with a blind eye. In fact, in addition to the economic development argument put forth, these organizations contribute to our quality of life in ways that can't be easily quantified.

In the end, the level of expenditure embodied in these requests was simply more than could be accommodated. Clearly, there is a pent-up need for state assistance after several “dry” years. It is my hope that with the tumult of the past several years behind us we will begin to regain our equilibrium in this area.

I am pleased to recommend to you a package of amendments totaling \$20.2 million for the second year of the biennium. I hope it will be your pleasure to adopt them.

Respectfully Submitted,

The Honorable John H. Chichester

Nonstate Agencies	FY 04-05	FY 05-06	
	\$0	\$20,201,231	GF

Language:

Page 482, after line 18, insert:

"530.10. Financial Assistance for Cultural and Artistic Affairs	\$0	\$20,201,231
Fund Sources: General	\$0	\$20,201,231."

Page 482, after line 18, insert:

"A. Grants provided for in this item shall be administered by the Department of Historic Resources.

B. Prior to the distribution of any funds, the organization or entity shall make application to the Department in a format prescribed by the Department. The application shall state whether grant funds provided under this item will be used for purposes of operating support or capital outlay. Unless otherwise specified in this item, the matching amounts for grants funded from this item may be cash or in-kind contributions as requested by the nonstate organization in its application for state grant funds. The Department shall use applicable federal guidelines in assessing the value of in-kind contributions to be used as matching amounts.

C. Any balances not drawn down by recipient organizations on June 30, 2005, from appropriations in this item shall not revert to the general fund, but shall be carried forward on the books of the Comptroller. These balances shall remain available for distribution to affected organizations until June 30, 2006, at which time any undistributed balances shall revert to the general fund, except that, in the case of organizations which have not filed an application to receive their appropriations by December 1, 2005, the Governor may direct that the undistributed balances be reverted to the general fund on that date. The Governor shall report amounts reverted and the affected organizations in the 2006 Budget Bill.

D. Grants are hereby made to the following organizations and entities for the purposes described in paragraphs A and B of this item:

	First Year	Second Year
4-H Educational Centers, to the Virginia 4-H for	0	300,000
Art Museum of Western Virginia	0	1,000,000

Avoca Museums & Historical Society	0	25,000
Barter Theatre	0	200,000
Belle Grove Plantation	0	50,000
Ben Lomond Manor Historical Site	0	50,000
Blue Ridge Zoological Society	0	50,000
Boys and Girls Clubs of the Peninsula	0	25,000
Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre	0	50,000
Bridging Boundaries International	0	50,000
Center in the Square, to the Western Virginia Foundation for the Arts for	0	300,000
Championship Horse Show, to the Virginia 4-H for	0	25,000
Chesapeake Arboretum	0	30,000
Children's Museum of Virginia	0	300,000
Chrysler Museum	0	500,000
Danville Museum of Fine Arts & History	0	12,766
DOVES, Inc.	0	50,000
Fredericksburg Area Museum	0	500,000
E. Trinkle Regional Visitors Center, to the Town of Wytheville for	0	25,000
Ellwood House, to the Friends of the Wilderness Battlefield for	0	10,000
Endview Plantation, to the Virginia War Museum Foundation for	0	75,000
Explore Park	0	400,000
First Freedom Center	0	150,000
Freedom Museum	0	100,000
French and Indian War Foundation	0	20,000
Friends of Pulaski Theatre	0	50,000
General Douglas MacArthur Foundation	0	100,000
George C. Marshall Foundation	0	150,000
George Washington's Ferry Farm	0	150,000
Great Bridge Battlefield Visitor Center, to the Great Bridge Battlefield and Waterways History Foundation for	0	250,000
Greater Reston Arts Center	0	100,000
Hand Workshop Arts Center	0	200,000
Historic Carter Home	0	50,000
Historic Conner House	0	25,000
Historic Crab Orchard Museum & Pioneer Park, Inc.	0	55,000

Historic Jamestowne, to the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities for	0	400,000
Historic Liberia House	0	100,000
Historic Pocahontas Cemetery, to Historic Pocahontas, Inc. for	0	9,000
Historical Old Stone High School in Louisa	0	100,000
History Museum & Historical Society of Western Virginia	0	75,000
Institute for Early Learning Through the Arts, to Wolf Trap for	0	1,000,000
Jubal Early Homeplace, to the Jubal A. Early Preservation Trust for	0	25,000
Ker Place Museum, to the Eastern Shore Historical Society for	0	30,000
Kinsale Foundation	0	10,000
La Crosse Hotel	0	200,000
Lee Hall Depot, to the Lee Hall Train Station Foundation for	0	100,000
Little England Chapel, to the Newtown Improvement and Civic Club, Inc. for	0	15,000
MacCallum More Museum and Gardens	0	15,000
Marine Corps Heritage Museum	0	500,000
Mary Ball Washington Museum & Library	0	10,000
Menokin Foundation	0	70,000
Montpelier Foundation	0	200,000
Moton Community Center	0	25,000
Museum of the Shenandoah Valley	0	300,000
National Museum of the U.S. Army	0	500,000
Newsome House Museum & Cultural Center, to the Friends of the Newsome House Foundation for	0	75,000
Norfolk Botanical Gardens	0	100,000
Oakland, to the Nelson County Museum of History for	0	100,000
Oatlands, to the National Trust for Historic Preservation for	0	75,000
Old Presbyterian Church, to Historic Pocahontas, Inc. for	0	1,000
Palace Theater in Cape Charles	0	25,000
Pulaski Fine Arts Center	0	25,000
Railroad Station - Chatham, to the Pittsylvania Historical Society for	0	25,000
Ralph Stanley Museum and Traditional Mountain Music Center	0	100,000
Red Hill Shrine, to the Patrick Henry Memorial Foundation for	0	25,000

Reedville Fisherman's Museum	0	70,000
Richmond Ballet	0	25,000
Riddick's Folly, Inc.	0	8,465
Rippon Lodge	0	50,000
Roanoke Symphony	0	10,000
Rosenwald School Building, to Greensville County and the City of Emporia for	0	50,000
Rosewell Foundation	0	40,000
Salem Museum and Historical Society	0	50,000
Science Museum of Western Virginia	0	100,000
Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation	0	100,000
Shenandoah Valley Discovery Museum	0	300,000
Special Olympics of Virginia	0	50,000
Staunton Performing Arts Center	0	300,000
St. John's Church Foundation	0	50,000
Steamboat Era Museum	0	15,000
Stonewall Camp #380, to Portsmouth Confederate Monument for	0	15,000
Stratford Hall	0	100,000
Theatre IV	0	25,000
Trail of the Lonesome Pine	0	20,000
Trevillian Station Battlefield Foundation	0	25,000
USS Monitor, to the Mariner's Museum for	0	700,000
Virginia Air and Space Museum	0	75,000
Virginia Aquarium & Marine Science Center	0	250,000
Virginia Arts Festival	0	50,000
Virginia Beach Performing Arts Center	0	250,000
Virginia Living Museum	0	700,000
Virginia Museum of Transportation	0	400,000
Virginia Opera Association	0	100,000
Virginia Performing Arts Foundation	0	5,000,000
Virginia Senior Games	0	25,000
Virginia Sports Hall of Fame	0	100,000
Wayside Theater	0	20,000
Westmoreland Poor School Society	0	50,000

William King Regional Arts Center	0	350,000
Williamsburg Battlefield, to the Virginia War Museum Foundation for	0	15,000
Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library	0	1,000,000
Youth Outreach Services, to the Youth Corporation, Inc. for	0	50,000

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$20.2 million the second year for grants to non-state agencies.)