Technology

The Governor's recommended amendments for Technology would provide \$3.3 million GF to remove operational efficiency savings for the Virginia Information Technologies Agency (VITA). It also includes a technical reduction in VITA's maximum employment level by 678 positions is proposed to reflect the implementation of the Northrop Grumman contract. Language is also recommended which would authorize the Director of the Department of Planning and Budget to transfer funds between executive branch agencies as needed to cover charges from the Virginia Information Technologies Agency.

• Virginia Information Technologies Agency

- Remove Savings Assumed in Current Budget. Proposes \$3.3 million GF in the first year to offset operational efficiency savings assumed from the centralization of technology services through VITA.
- Reduce the Agency's Staffing Level to Reflect Outsourcing. Recommends a reduction in the approved staffing levels for VITA of 653.0 FTE positions in the first year and an additional 25.0 FTE positions in the second year reflecting the implementation of the Northrop Grumman contract, which outsources many of VITA's tasks.
- Transfer of Funding between Agencies. Proposes language that would authorize the Director of the Department of Planning and Budget to transfer funding between executive branch agencies as needed to cover internal service fund charges by VITA. VITA has recently submitted a cost allocation plan for federal approval which may increase technology expenses for some agencies, and lower charges to others. It is expected to be budget neutral overall.
- Rate Structure for the Virginia Base Mapping Program. Recommends language
 that would mandate that VITA, in consultation with effected state agencies,
 establish an equitable rate structure to be charged for services and products
 provided by the Virginia Base Mapping Program.