

Transportation

Adopted Amendments				
(\$ in millions)				
	FY 2017 Adopted		FY 2018 Adopted	
	<u>GF</u>	<u>NGF</u>	<u>GF</u>	<u>NGF</u>
2016-18 Current Budget (Chapter 780, 2016 Session)	\$41.0	\$6,811.2	\$41.0	\$6,483.9
Increases	0.0	137.3	0.0	18.9
Decreases	<u>(0.0)</u>	<u>(1.1)</u>	<u>(0.0)</u>	<u>(56.5)</u>
\$ Net Change	0.0	136.2	0.0	(37.6)
Chapter 836 (HB 1500, as Adopted)	\$41.0	\$6,947.4	\$41.0	\$6,446.2
% Change	0.0%	2.0%	0.0%	(0.6%)
FTEs	0.00	10,103.00	0.00	10,117.00
# Change	0.00	0.00	0.00	14.00

- **Secretary of Transportation**

- *Prohibition of PLA Preference on P3 Contracts.* Expands the existing statutory prohibition on preferential weighting for bidders using project labor agreements to those projects developed under the Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995. Under the language, voluntary agreements would not be impacted and an exception is provided for multi-state procurements of limited-access highway bridges. The Governor communicated a veto of this item which was ruled by the Clerk of the Virginia House of Delegates and Keeper of the Rolls of the Commonwealth to be out of order.
- *MWAA Reporting on Alternative Land Use Options.* Requires the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority to report on potential land-use options for Authority-owned properties determined to be unsuitable for aviation uses prior to release of second year funding of \$25.0 million authorized in Chapter 780 of the 2016 Acts of Assembly to ensure the reduction of enplanement costs at Dulles International Airport.

- *Review of WMATA Compact.* Directs the Secretary to complete an objective review of the governance and financial structures of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority to identify any issues of concern that should be addressed as part of any renegotiation of the federal interstate compact governing the operations of the Authority. The Secretary is further directed to request the participation of Maryland and the District of Columbia in conducting this review.
- **Virginia Commercial Spaceflight Authority**
 - *Construction of Support Facilities.* Requires the Secretary, in his capacity as the Chairman of the Virginia Commercial Spaceflight Authority Board, to identify options for financing the construction of additional facilities at the Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport to support both spaceflight and unmanned systems activities.
 - *Audit Procurement.* Authorizes the Virginia Commercial Spaceflight Authority to solicit proposals for annual financial audits from all qualified firms. The final selection of the auditor would be performed by the Auditor of Public Accounts.
- **Department of Aviation**
 - *Use of State Aviation Funds.* Prohibits the use of Commonwealth Aviation Funds in either direct or indirect support of airline operations unless approved by the Virginia Aviation Board. The language further directs that the Board report annually to the General Assembly on the use of all entitlement funds by air carrier airports.
- **Department of Motor Vehicles**
 - *Restrict Vehicle Registration Holds for Toll Violations.* Adopted language establishing stricter parameters for when the Department of Motor Vehicles can refuse to issue or renew a vehicle registration or license plate to an individual identified with toll violations. It is anticipated this language will help further discourage toll facility operators from charging exorbitant fees on toll violators.
 - *Reflect Increased Virginia Share of Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission Costs.* Increases DMV's appropriation by approximately \$60,000 NGF over the biennium for participation in the multi-jurisdiction agreement with Washington D.C and Maryland for enforcement of laws regulating vans, taxis, and limousine businesses.
 - *Reduce Appropriation for E-Z Pass.* Eliminates an unnecessary appropriation of \$1.1 million NGF each year for processing of E-Z Pass transactions.

- *Suspend Printing of Organ Donation Brochures.* Authorizes DMV to cease providing printed copies of organ donation brochures as part of customer direct mailings.
- *Indirect Cost Pass-Through.* Includes two separate language amendments that provide DMV authority to distribute charges for indirect costs incurred for transactions undertaken on behalf of other state agencies. The first change allows DMV to pass on Cardinal system charges to the benefitting agencies, while the second change allows DMV to pass on Statewide Indirect Cost Allocation Plan (SICAP) charges for revenues collected on behalf of other agencies. These changes would allow DMV to retain approximately \$3.8 million in NGF revenue to offset increased costs associated with changes to the SICAP policy implemented during the 2016 Session which have reduced DMV's available operating revenues.
- *Loudoun Customer Service Center.* Separate authorization is provided in Capital Outlay (Item C-52) for the Department of General Services to enter into a capital lease for the relocation or expansion of customer service centers in Loudoun County. The Department currently operates two service centers in Loudoun but is interested in opening a third to address high volumes.

- **Department of Rail and Public Transportation**

- *Adjust NGF Appropriation to Reflect Adopted FY 2017-22 Six-Year Financial Plan.* Increases the DRPT Commonwealth Transportation Fund appropriation by \$8.2 million NGF the second year to reflect the Six-Year Improvement Program adopted by the Commonwealth Transportation Board in June, 2016 as well as the revenue reforecast completed in November, 2016.
- *Transit Property Bridge-Loan.* Authorizes the Department of Planning and Budget to provide a transfer of up to \$6.2 million NGF from highway construction programs at the Department of Transportation to the Department of Rail and Public Transportation to cover any revenue shortfall that may be incurred by local transit properties as the result of the decision by the Federal Transit Administration to withhold state urban transit formula funding for because the Metro Safety Commission was not been enacted by all signatory polices. The amounts would be repaid to the highway construction fund once the FTA releases the money.
- *Atlantic Gateway Bridges.* Directs the Department of Rail and Public Transportation to collaborate with both the Department of Transportation and Fairfax County in development of a cost-effective method to ensure that new rail features constructed under the Atlantic Gateway project will not only replace existing bridges, but expand rail capacity and accommodate future Bus Rapid Transit service on the Route 1 corridor in Fairfax County.

- *Increase Allowable Administrative Overhead Charges.* Authorizes the Commonwealth Transportation Board to allocate up to five percent of the revenues available each year in the Intercity Passenger Rail Operating and Capital Fund to support the costs of project development, administration and compliance for the Atlantic Gateway project. An additional 4.0 FTE are provided to support these activities. Currently, the CTB is authorized to allocate up to 3.5 percent of program funds for associated overhead costs. This action increases DRPT positions to a total of 64, or 9 percent, after gaining an additional seven positions in the 2016 Session. The number of filled positions at the Department remains below 50.
- *Hampton Roads Tier II EIS.* Requires DRPT to work with stakeholders to evaluate the anticipated costs and identify potential funding sources for the Tier II Environmental Impact Study for high speed rail service between Hampton Roads and Richmond.

- **Department of Transportation**

- *Adjust Appropriations to Reflect Adopted FY 2017-22 Six-Year Financial Plan.* Increases the VDOT NGF appropriation by \$94.5 million the first year and \$12.5 million the second year to reflect the assumptions included in the Commonwealth Transportation Board’s Six-Year Financial Plan adopted in June, 2016.
- *Adjust Appropriations to Reflect Fall Revenue Reforecast.* Contains a second series of nongeneral fund revenue adjustments to align the department’s appropriation with the revised revenue forecast completed in November, 2016. In total the forecast adjustments increase nongeneral fund appropriations by \$42.7 million in the first year and reduce second year NGF appropriations by \$55.4 million, largely in the HMOF and the two regional transportation accounts. The largest revenue shifts reflect the decline in the general sales tax forecast.
- *Repayment of Light Rail Right-of-Way Acquisition Funds.* Directs the repayment of \$20.0 million NGF from the City of Virginia Beach to the Commonwealth. The funding, provided in 2008 as a grant from the Transportation Partnership Opportunity Fund, was used for the acquisition of right-of-way for the extension of light rail from Norfolk to Virginia Beach, however a subsequent referendum has terminated the planned extension. The repayment shall occur over a four-year period in increments of \$5.0 million. The Secretary is authorized to withhold allocations of urban maintenance payments to the City of Virginia Beach, should repayment not occur.
- *Coalfields Expressway.* Directs VDOT to establish a special sub-account of the Transportation Trust Fund to hold any future federal revenues dedicated for projects on the Coalfields Expressway. Separate legislation, Chapter 543 of the 2017 Acts of Assembly (HB 2474), establishes the Virginia Coalfields Expressway

Authority with responsibility for planning and advocating for additional federal funding for the project. The existing P3 projects for the Coalfields Expressway projects are not affected.

- ***Virginia International Gateway Bridge Loan.*** Authorizes the Secretary of Finance to provide a Treasury loan in the amount of \$1.7 million in each year of the biennium to VDOT to help offset losses faced by the City of Portsmouth as a result of substantial quantities of personal property being transferred from private to public ownership under the revised lease terms for the Virginia International Gateway facility in Portsmouth. The legislative intent is to provide these loans for three years after which time substantial private investment and new equipment purchases at the VIG facility will provide additional personal property tax to enable the City to repay the loan. The Secretary is authorized to withhold allocations of urban maintenance payments to the City of Portsmouth, should repayment not occur.
- ***Reporting Toll Violations.*** Directs VDOT, in consultation with stakeholders, to provide recommendations for the reporting of toll transaction data, including violation fees and administrative charges for all public and private toll facilities in the Commonwealth.
- ***Additional Positions for Toll Facility Operations*** Increases NGF supported positions by 10.0 FTE in the second year to manage operations of new state-operated toll facilities anticipated to open in 2017, specifically I-66 Inside the Beltway.

- **Virginia Port Authority**

- ***Virginia International Gateway Capital Lease.*** Provides an increase of \$6.4 million NGF each year from Port Terminal revenues to support amended lease payments for the Virginia International Gateway bringing total lease payments in the second year to approximately \$68.1 million NGF. The VIG lease has been extended to a term of 49 years, terminating December 31, 2065.