Secretary of Veterans and Defense Affairs

- **Encroachment Grant and Land Acquisition Program.** Includes two separate actions extending current encroachment and land acquisition programs related to US Navy Master Jet Base airfields and other auxiliary landing fields in Hampton Roads. The first amendment directs the Commonwealth to extend the current encroachment grant with the City of Chesapeake, by 12 months, to September 30, 2020. The second amendment allocates an additional tranche of $450,000 from the revolving balances of the encroachment mitigation program to activities in the vicinity of Naval Auxiliary Landing Field Fentress and Langley Air Force Base. These grant programs are designed to encourage local land use compatibility with existing and future military aviation use.

- **Camp Pendleton Long-Term Lease.** Includes language authorizing the long-term lease of property at the Camp Pendleton State Military Reservation to the City of Virginia Beach. The terms of the lease shall include a minimum fifty-year term with an additional fifty-year option. The City of Virginia Beach is required to
provide two payments of $2.5 million to the Commonwealth, the first occurring in fiscal year 2020 prior to June 30, 2020 and the second occurring prior to June 30, 2021. The parcel is currently leased by the State to the City for use as overflow parking for the Virginia Aquarium and Marine Science Museum.

- **Department of Veterans Services**
  
  - **Veterans Benefits Section.** Includes $250,000 GF the second year to:
    
    - Hire two new veterans services representatives to serve as “floaters” serving offices in the four DVS regions as needed ($144,000);
    
    - Hire one claims specialist in the Roanoke office ($90,000); and,
    
    - Provide for the additional training costs needed for veterans services representatives ($16,000).
  
  - **Veterans Support Services Grant.** Includes $24,000 GF the second year for a one-time grant to support the operations of the Angel Wings for Veterans program, a nonprofit organization providing transportation services for veterans with special needs.