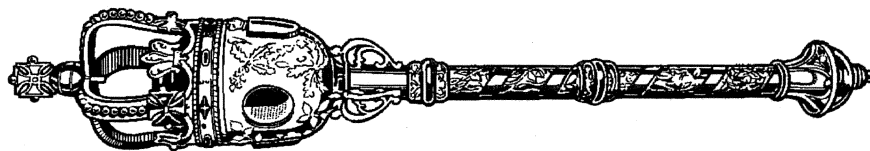


*Report of the
House Appropriations
Subcommittee*

on

*Economic Development, Agriculture
and Natural Resources*



*House Bill 29
&
House Bill 30*

February 17, 2008

REPORT OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE

on

Economic Development, Agriculture and Natural Resources

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee:

For the past several weeks, the Subcommittee has been reviewing the budget to determine what changes in spending are needed to help “backfill” the additional general fund shortfall finally announced by the Governor this past Tuesday. The recommendations we bring to you today respond to economic reality. They are measured. They focus on the core of state services in the areas of economic development and natural resources.

Natural Resources:

In the area of natural resources, the subcommittee believed that having fulfilled our commitment to providing \$500 million to reduce the nutrient pollution discharged from sewage treatment plants, it was time to focus our attention on other sources of statewide water pollution. I am pleased to report the subcommittee is recommending the appropriation of \$15 million each year to increase the implementation of agricultural best management practices. Agricultural best management practices represent a true public-private partnership between the Commonwealth and Virginia’s farm community. On average, Virginia’s farmers provide about 65 percent of the costs of implementing agricultural best management practices, which not only control nutrient pollution, but sediment pollution as well.

Likewise, the subcommittee is recommending additional support of Virginia’s outstanding system of state parks. The subcommittee is recommending an additional \$500,000 to provide support for additional staff or the replacement of equipment in the state parks. Mr. Chairman, since 2005, I am proud to report the General Assem-

bly has provided \$9.9 million in additional operating support for the state parks system, including the addition of 88 full-time positions.

Further, Mr. Chairman, to ensure the safety of Virginia's dams and the citizens who live nearby them, the subcommittee is recommending an additional \$1,000,000 be provided each year for the Dam Safety, Flood Prevention and Protection Fund to provide grants and for the repair and rehabilitation of existing dams.

The subcommittee could not have made these funding commitments without rejecting a number of new programs and programmatic expansions. Therefore, the subcommittee recommends foregoing proposals such as increased general fund support for the Virginia Outdoors Foundation and combined sewer overflow projects. Moreover, in light of the funding for land acquisition contained in your capital outlay plan, Mr. Chairman, the subcommittee also felt it could reduce the level of operating support for land acquisition to \$2.0 million per year for the coming biennium.

Commerce and Agriculture:

In the secretariat of Commerce and Trade, the subcommittee's first priority was to meet our existing commitments. With this in mind, I am pleased to report that the subcommittee has provided \$20.5 million for our Code-stipulated semiconductor manufacturing incentive grants.

The subcommittee also recommends funding the first phase of our commitment to the new Rolls Royce aerospace engineering and manufacturing facility locating within the Commonwealth, and to fully finance our previous commitments to companies whose decisions to locate in Virginia make them eligible for payments under the Virginia Investment Partnership (VIP) grant program. We remain vigilant in ensuring our promises are kept to maintain the Commonwealth's status as the #1 state for doing business.

In addition, the subcommittee recommends \$15.1 million for the Governor's Development Opportunity Fund, thus ensuring that

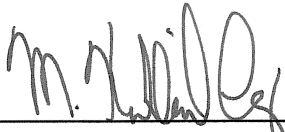
even in slow economic times funding is available to assist localities in closing deals with new and expanding businesses.

The framework that guided the subcommittee's review also resulted in the rejection of a number of programmatic expansions and accelerations. While many of the proposals may have merit, now is not that time to create new programs or expand them. As such, the subcommittee did not recommend proposals to expand the Virginia Jobs Investment program, or accelerate payments to Qimonda and SRI. Last Session the General Assembly approved, and the Governor signed into law, a payment schedule that outlines the Commonwealth's financial commitment to SRI to be paid in fully by 2013. Similarly, existing Code provisions set out the payment schedule for grants to Qimonda which are not due to be paid out until the next biennium.

Finally, Mr. Chairman, the Subcommittee has recognized the consolidation of the Department of Business Assistance and the Virginia Economic Development Partnership pursuant to House Bill 1522. When these agencies were separated in the 1990s the consensus was that as separate agencies, the constituencies served by each would receive better services thereby directly benefiting the Commonwealth. Instead, that separation has resulted in a loss of synergy and the duplication of efforts.

Mr. Chairmen and fellow Committee members, I will ask staff to take you through our detailed recommendations, and then I hope it will be your pleasure to adopt our Subcommittee Report.

Respectfully Submitted by the House Appropriations Subcommittee
on Economic Development, Agriculture & Natural Resources:



M. Kirkland Cox, Chairman



Watkins M. Abbitt, Jr.



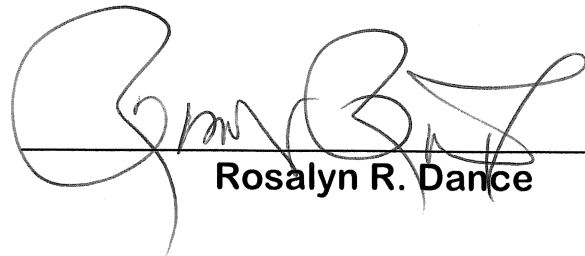
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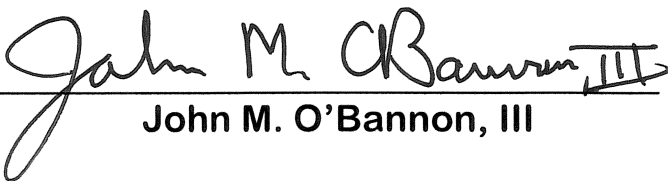
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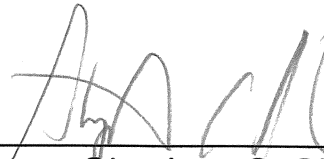
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Budget Amendment Recommendations

<u>Amendment</u>	<u>House Bill 29</u> <u>FY 2008</u>	<u>2008-10 BIENNIAL TOTAL</u>		
		<u>General</u> <u>Fund</u>	<u>Nongeneral</u> <u>Fund</u>	<u>FTE</u>

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

HB 29

Department of Housing and Community Development

Mortgage Counseling (750,000)

Fort Monroe Fed'l Development Authority Language

Central Appropriations

Governor's Proposed Capture of WQIF (15,000,000)

HB 30 (2008-10 Budget)

Department Of Agriculture And Consumer Services

VDACS Animal Protection 267,104

Land Preservation Funding (1,000,000)

PDR Matching Grants (5,000,000)

High Value Crops (388,190)

Hydrilla Funding 150,000

Reflect merger of Charitable Gaming Language

USDA National Identification System Language

Department of Forestry

Reforestation Funding (1,000,000)

Secretary Of Commerce And Trade

Acceleration of Semiconductor Payments (13,750,000)

Motion Picture Opportunity Fund (400,000)

Adjust GOF Cash Flow -

Broadband Feasibility Language

Department Of Business Assistance

Merge DBA and VEDP (24,447,042) (2,491,206) (48.00)

Department Of Housing And Community Development

Mortgage Counseling (200,000)

Fort Monroe Development Auth Staffing Language 4.00

Southern Rivers Water Funds Language

Commonwealth Regional Council 200,000

Manassas Dam (150,000)

Broadband Planning (1,000,000)

Rural Center Grant Match 25,000

Budget Amendment Recommendations

<u>Amendment</u>	<u>House Bill 29</u> <u>FY 2008</u>	<u>2008-10 BIENNIAL TOTAL</u>		
		<u>General</u> <u>Fund</u>	<u>Nongeneral</u> <u>Fund</u>	<u>FTE</u>
Department Of Labor And Industry				
DLI ARMICS Funding		(246,000)		
Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation				
Common Interest Community Mgmt Bd			714,628	4.00
Virginia Economic Development Partnership				
Va Biotechnology Research Park		100,000		
International Marketing		(700,000)		
VNDIA Reduction		(200,000)		
Merge DBA into VEDP		21,414,628	2,491,206	48.00
Virginia Tourism Authority				
Cooperative Outdoor Advertising		200,000		
Eliminate Jamestown 2007 Fee		-	(5,000,000)	
"See Virginia First" Coop. Advertising		450,000		
Coalfield's Tourism Authority		200,000		
Daniel Boone Visitor's Center		(200,000)		
Central Appropriations				
Inclusion of Fort Lee in BRAC Funding		(6,000,000)		
Adhere to SRI Payment Schedule in Code		(7,000,000)		
Department of Conservation and Recreation				
Chesapeake Bay Restoration Fund			362,562	
Nonpoint Source Pollution Control		-	9,000,000	
Nonpoint Source Pollution Control - 2nd Yr		see Item 473.1	-	
Additional Funding for Dam Safety		(1,000,000)	-	
Aquia Creek Dredging		250,000	-	
Virginia Recreational Facilities Authority		100,000	-	
Grand Caverns Park		Language		
State Park Operations		(1,000,000)	-	(15.00)
Virginia Outdoors Foundation		(1,900,000)	-	
Virginia Land Conservation Foundation		(2,000,000)	-	
Department of Environmental Quality				
Combined Sewer Overflow Funding		(6,000,000)	-	
Water Facilities Revolving Loan Fund		(1,200,000)	-	
WQIF Grant for Hopewell Manufacturer		Language		
Department of Game and Inland Fisheries				

Budget Amendment Recommendations

<u>Amendment</u>	House Bill 29 FY 2008	2008-10 BIENNIAL TOTAL		
		General Fund	Nongeneral Fund	FTE
Navigation Aids -- Leesville Lake			50,000	
Navigation Aids -- Smith Mountain Lake			50,000	
DGIF General Fund Resources		Language		
Marine Resources Commission				
Supplant General Fund Support		(492,556)	492,556	
Virginia Museum of Natural History				
Operating Support		(300,000)		
Part 3: Transfers				
Game Protection Fund		(1,903,532)		
Total: HB 30		(15,750,000)	(54,120,588)	5,669,746
				(7)

Amendments to House Bill 29, as Introduced

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 103 #1h

Commerce And Trade	FY 06-07	FY 07-08	
Department Of Housing And Community Development	\$0	(\$750,000)	GF

Language:

Page 45, line 7, strike "\$45,575,638" and insert "\$44,825,638".

Page 46, strike line 9 through line 24.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates a new initiative proposed in the budget as introduced to provide foreclosure counseling services across the Commonwealth.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 104 #1h

Commerce And Trade	FY 06-07	FY 07-08	
Department Of Housing And Community Development	0.00	4.00	FTE

Language:

Page 46, line 25, insert:

"The Department of Housing and Community Development is authorized to act as fiscal agent for the Fort Monroe Federal Area Development Authority (FMFADA) created pursuant to Section 15.2 – 6304.1, *Code of Virginia* (Chapters 707 and 740, 2007 Acts of Assembly). As fiscal agent, the department is authorized to conduct payroll, fiscal, procurement, and any other business activities requested by the Board of Commissioners for the FMFADA that are necessary to support the administration of the FMFADA. When acting in its capacity as fiscal agent for the FMFADA, the department shall have discretion regarding the transactions it performs on behalf of the FMFADA. Further, the department may employ staff on behalf of the FMFADA as requested by the Board of Commissioners for the FMFADA. Any such employees shall be placed in restricted positions and shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Commissioners for the FMFADA."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides positions to the department for staff for the Fort Monroe Federal Area Development Authority. The department will serve as fiscal agent for the authority. This amendment adjusts the agency's position level to include the staff for the Fort Monroe Federal Area Development Authority.)

Amendments to House Bill 30, as Introduced

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 93 #3h

Agriculture And Forestry	FY 08-09	FY 09-10	
Department Of Agriculture And	\$135,562	\$131,542	GF
Consumer Services	1.00	1.00	FTE

Language:

Page 79, line 18, strike "\$6,754,059" and insert "\$6,889,621".

Page 79, line 18, strike "\$6,754,059" and insert "\$6,885,601".

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$135,562 in the first year and \$131,542 in the second year from the general fund to cover the costs of a new staff veterinarian position and associated equipment costs to implement the provisions of House Bills 656 and 538 as adopted by the 2008 Session of the General Assembly relating to animal protection and fighting.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 94 #2h

Agriculture And Forestry	FY 08-09	FY 09-10	
Department Of Agriculture And	(\$500,000)	(\$500,000)	GF
Consumer Services			

Language:

Page 79, line 28, strike "\$19,449,507" and insert "\$18,949,507".

Page 79, line 28, strike "\$19,449,507" and insert "\$18,949,507".

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates \$500,000 of the \$700,000 from the general fund each year that was included in the base budget for the Office of Farmland Preservation at the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. This was funding represented the expansion of a new initiative that was funded on a one-time basis in the current biennium. VDACS will retain \$200,000 each year for the base operations of the Office of Farmland Preservation, but not the additional funding that had been proposed to expand the state matching program for local purchase of development rights programs.)

Amendments to House Bill 30, as Introduced

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 94 #3h

Agriculture And Forestry	FY 08-09	FY 09-10	
Department Of Agriculture And Consumer Services	(\$2,500,000)	(\$2,500,000)	GF

Language:

Page 79, line 28, strike "\$19,449,507" and insert "\$16,949,507".

Page 79, line 28, strike "\$19,449,507" and insert "\$16,949,507".

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates \$2.5 million of the \$3.0 million each year included in the budget as introduced to provide a state match for local purchase of development rights programs.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 94 #4h

Agriculture And Forestry	FY 08-09	FY 09-10	
Department Of Agriculture And Consumer Services	(\$194,095)	(\$194,095)	GF

Language:

Page 79, line 28, strike "\$19,449,507" and insert "\$19,255,412".

Page 79, line 28, strike "\$19,449,507" and insert "\$19,255,412".

Page 81, strike lines 17 through 28.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates the funding for the development and marketing of speciality agriculture crops. The budget as introduced reflected a reduction in funding for this initiative from \$225,000 annually to \$194,095. This program was initiated in FY 2006 to determine what new crops could be introduced in Virginia. Three years of funding have been provided to gather the data on speciality crops best suited to Virginia and how to market them.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 95 #1h

Agriculture And Forestry	FY 08-09	FY 09-10	
Department Of Agriculture And	\$75,000	\$75,000	GF

Amendments to House Bill 30, as Introduced

Consumer Services

Language:

Page 81, line 35, strike "\$4,865,303" and insert "\$4,940,303".

Page 81, line 35, strike "\$4,865,303" and insert "\$4,940,303".

Page 81, after line 40, insert:

"Out of the amounts included for Plant Pest and Disease Control, \$50,000 in the first year and \$50,000 in the second year from the general fund is appropriated to support the eradication of hydrilla on Lake Gaston, and \$25,000 in the first year and \$25,000 in the second year from the general fund is appropriated to support the eradication of hydrilla on Smith Mountain Lake."

Explanation:

(This amendment restores \$75,000 each year from the general fund to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services' "Plant Pest and Disease Control" program to support the eradication of hydrilla on Lake Gaston and Smith Mountain Lake. Hydrilla is an invasive plant species that interferes with recreation, destroys fish and wildlife habitats, and can severely impact water delivery systems.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 101 #1g

Agriculture And Forestry

Department Of Agriculture And
Consumer Services

Language

Language:

Page 83, strike lines 23 through 26.

Page 83, line 27, strike "C" and insert "B".

Page 83, line 32, strike "D" and insert "C".

Page 83, line 37, strike "E" and insert "D".

Explanation:

(This amendment conforms the budget bill language as legislation to complete the merger will be considered by the 2008 General Assembly.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 102 #1h

Agriculture And Forestry

Department Of Agriculture And

Language

Amendments to House Bill 30, as Introduced

Consumer Services

Language:

Page 82, after line 2, insert:

"No funds derived from any source shall be used to implement, develop, maintain, enforce, or support any mandatory provisions of the program identified by the United States Department of Agriculture as the "National Identification System."

Explanation:

(This amendment prohibits the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services from expending funds to implement or participate in any mandatory provisions of the USDA's National Identification System for livestock. It is intended to allow for voluntary participation in the program by farmers and producers.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 103 #3h

Agriculture And Forestry

FY 08-09

FY 09-10

Department Of Forestry

(\$500,000)

(\$500,000) GF

Language:

Page 84, line 19, strike "\$28,814,448" and insert "\$28,314,448".

Page 84, line 19, strike "\$28,814,448" and insert "\$28,314,448".

Page 85, line 14, strike, "\$1,145,140" and insert "645,140".

Page 85, line 15, strike, "\$1,145,140" and insert "645,140".

Explanation:

(This amendment reduces the state matching funding for the reforestation of timberlands program by \$500,000 each year.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 105 #6h

Commerce And Trade

FY 08-09

FY 09-10

Secretary Of Commerce And Trade

(\$5,375,000)

(\$8,375,000) GF

Language:

Page 87, line 3, strike "\$37,455,966" and insert "\$32,080,966".

Page 87, line 3, strike "\$19,605,966" and insert "\$11,230,966".

Page 88, line 27, strike "\$17,125,000" and insert "\$11,750,000".

Page 88, line 28, strike "\$17,125,000" and insert "\$8,750,000".

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Explanation:

(This amendment removes the proposed acceleration of Semiconductor Grant payments due to Qimonda in fiscal year 2011 and fiscal year 2012 to the current biennium. This does not impact the payment of the Code-mandated payments to Qimonda totaling \$20.5 million that are retained in the budget for the upcoming biennium.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 105 #7h

Commerce And Trade

FY 08-09

FY 09-10

Secretary Of Commerce And Trade

(\$200,000)

(\$200,000) GF

Language:

Page 87, line 3, strike "\$37,455,966" and insert "\$37,255,966".

Page 87, line 3, strike "\$19,605,966" and insert "\$19,405,966".

Page 88, line 42, after "Out of the Appropriation" insert:

"in paragraph B.1. "

Explanation:

(This amendment removes the direct appropriation of \$200,000 each year to the Motion Picture Opportunity Fund and transfers of a like amount of funding from the Governor's Development Opportunity Fund for the same purpose.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 105 #8h

Commerce And Trade

FY 08-09

FY 09-10

Secretary Of Commerce And Trade

(\$7,500,000)

\$7,500,000 GF

Language:

Page 87, line 3, strike "\$37,455,966" and insert "\$29,955,966".

Page 87, line 3, strike "\$19,605,966" and insert "\$27,105,966".

Page 87, line 16, strike "\$15,100,000" and insert "\$7,600,00".

Page 87, line 17, after "first year" insert:

"and \$7,500,000 the second year".

Explanation:

(This amendment splits the appropriation for the Governor's Development Opportunity Fund among the two years of the biennium to help address cash flow needs in the fiscal year 2009 due to the additional budget reductions. The biennial

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appropriation is unchanged and totals \$15.1 million, of which \$7.6 million would be available in the first year.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 105 #9h

Commerce And Trade

Secretary Of Commerce And Trade

Language

Language:

Page 89, after line 48, insert:

"C. The Secretary of Commerce and Trade shall report to the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees on the work undertaken to support high speed broadband deployment in the Hampton Roads (Planning District II) region pursuant to the appropriation of funding for such purpose in Chapter 847, Acts of Assembly of 2007. Such report shall also include a feasibility assessment of the implementation of a broadband infrastructure that should include, but not be limited to, services such as a load-balanced 20-gigabit capacity to all site locations; fully redundant, fault-tolerant data networking; unlimited bandwidth without monthly recurring charges; disaster recovery planning and services; internet streaming video services; network-based telephone services; electronic software distribution, inventory and maintenance systems; network security and intrusion prevention systems; video conferencing; community wireless "hot spots"; system co-location and maintenance; and electronic, network-based, building security systems made available to all federal, state, and local government agencies, medical facilities, and other commercial and private entities. Such assessment should include an estimate of the project's full costs as well as the availability of funding to implement said proposal from federal, state and other sources. The report, including the feasibility assessment of implementing the broadband network, should be submitted no later than December 1, 2008."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs the Secretary of Commerce and Trade to report to the General Assembly on the uses of the funding provided to support broadband deployment from Hampton Roads up the Eastern Shore and provide a feasibility assessment of implementing the broadband network by December 1, 2008.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 108 #3h

Commerce And Trade

FY 08-09

FY 09-10

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Department Of Business Assistance	(\$11,223,521)	(\$13,223,521)	GF
	(\$1,245,603)	(\$1,245,603)	NGF
	-48.00	-48.00	FTE

Language:

Page 90, line 8, strike "\$12,469,124" and insert "\$0".

Page 90, line 8, strike "\$14,469,124" and insert "\$0".

Page 90, strike lines 7 through line 49 and insert:

"Omitted."

Page 91, strike line 1 through line 10.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates the funding and positions for the Department of Business Assistance pursuant to the provisions of House Bill 1522 of the 2008 Session of the General Assembly. A companion amendment transfers the functions, funding and positions currently under the Department of Business Assistance to the Virginia Economic Development Partnership.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 109 #4h

Commerce And Trade

FY 08-09

FY 09-10

Department Of Housing And
Community Development

(\$200,000)

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 91, line 12, strike "\$45,187,336" and insert "\$44,987,336".

Page 92, strike line 14 through line 21.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates a new initiative proposed in the budget as introduced to provide foreclosure counseling services across the Commonwealth.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 110 #5h

Commerce And Trade

FY 08-09

FY 09-10

Department Of Housing And
Community Development

4.00

4.00 FTE

Language:

Page 95, line 43, after "M.", insert:

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“1.”

Page 95, after line 56, insert:

“2. The Department of Housing and Community Development is authorized to act as fiscal agent for the Fort Monroe Federal Area Development Authority (FMFADA) created pursuant to Section 15.2 – 6304.1, *Code of Virginia* (Chapters 707 and 740, 2007 Acts of Assembly). As fiscal agent, the department is authorized to conduct payroll, fiscal, procurement, and any other business activities requested by the Board of Commissioners for the FMFADA that are necessary to support the administration of the FMFADA. When acting in its capacity as fiscal agent for the FMFADA, the department shall have discretion regarding the transactions it performs on behalf of the FMFADA. Further, the department may employ staff on behalf of the FMFADA as requested by the Board of Commissioners for the FMFADA. Any such employees shall be placed in restricted positions and shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Commissioners for the FMFADA.”

Explanation:

(This amendment provides positions to the department for staff for the Fort Monroe Federal Area Development Authority. The department will serve as fiscal agent for the authority. This amendment adjusts the agency's position level to include the staff for the Fort Monroe Federal Area Development Authority.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 110 #13h

Commerce And Trade

Department Of Housing And
Community Development

Language

Language:

Page 96, line 19, after "resources.", insert:

"Out of the amounts appropriated in this paragraph, \$500,000 the first year from the general fund shall be designated to Wise County for construction of wastewater treatment facilities to serve the Remote Area Medical (RAM)."

Explanation:

(This amendment designates \$500,000 in the first year from the general fund of the amounts appropriated for wastewater grants in areas outside the Chesapeake Bay watershed to Wise County for a wastewater treatment facility.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 110 #14h

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Commerce And Trade	FY 08-09	FY 09-10
Department Of Housing And Community Development	\$200,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 92, line 22, strike "\$49,190,566" and insert "\$49,390,566".

Page 96, after line 22, insert:

"P. Included in this item is \$200,000 the first year from the general fund for the Commonwealth Regional Council for regional economic development efforts."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$200,000 in the first year from the general fund to the Commonwealth Regional Council.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 110 #20h

Commerce And Trade	FY 08-09	FY 09-10
Department Of Housing And Community Development	(\$150,000)	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 92, line 22, strike "\$49,190,566" and insert "\$49,040,566".

Page 96, strike line 20 through line 22.

Explanation:

(This amendment removes a proposed pass-through appropriation for a local dam in Manassas from the funding in the Department of Housing and Community Development which does not undertake any dam improvement projects.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 110 #21h

Commerce And Trade	FY 08-09	FY 09-10
Department Of Housing And Community Development	(\$500,000)	(\$500,000) GF

Language:

Page 92, line 22, strike "\$49,190,566" and insert "\$48,690,566".

Page 92, line 22, strike "\$47,878,913" and insert "\$47,378,913".

Page 95, strike line 29 through line 42.

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Explanation:

(This amendment removes funding totaling \$500,000 each year for new initiatives to develop a business plan for a new higher education center and business incubator on the Eastern Shore as well as to fund broadband distribution assistance.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 110 #22h

Commerce And Trade

FY 08-09

FY 09-10

Department Of Housing And
Community Development

\$25,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 92, line 22, strike "\$49,190,566" and insert "\$49,215,566".

Page 94, line 24, after "F.", insert "1."

Page 94, after line 30, insert:

"2. Out of the amounts in this item \$25,000 in the first year from the general fund shall be available to the Center for Rural Virginia contingent upon receipt of private foundation and/or non-profit grants to in community development activities in rural communities."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$25,000 in the first year to match private and nonprofit grants which are contingent upon receipt of state general funds. The Rural Center request is for funding to assist community foundations in retention of wealth in rural communities, the development of strategic plans for rural Virginia, and improve operational capabilities of rural community foundations.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 119 #1h

Commerce And Trade

FY 08-09

FY 09-10

Department Of Labor And Industry

(\$120,000)

(\$126,000) GF

Language:

Page 98, line 5, strike "\$3,226,140" and insert "\$3,106,140".

Page 98, line 5, strike "\$3,232,085" and insert "\$3,106,085".

Explanation:

(This amendment removes new funding included in the budget as introduced to

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implement new reporting and internal control requirements implemented by the Department of Accounts. These activities can be undertaken by existing staff with DOA assistance.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 123 #1h

Commerce And Trade	FY 08-09	FY 09-10	
Department Of Professional And	\$360,882	\$353,746	NGF
Occupational Regulation	4.00	4.00	FTE

Language:

Page 99, line 28, strike "\$19,197,664" and insert "\$19,558,546".

Page 99, line 28, strike "\$19,197,664" and insert "\$19,551,410".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides the nongeneral fund appropriation and positions for the Common Interest Community Management Board established pursuant to House Bill 516, 2008 Session of the General Assembly. These amounts are generated from regulants pursuant to the terms of the legislation.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 124 #1h

Commerce And Trade	FY 08-09	FY 09-10	
Virginia Economic Development	\$100,000	\$0	GF
Partnership			

Language:

Page 100, line 5, strike "\$17,376,010" and insert "\$17,476,010".

Page 102, after line 14, insert:

"O. Out of the amounts for Economic Development Services shall be provided \$100,000 in the first year from the general fund to the Virginia Biotechnology Research Partnership Authority."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$100,000 in the first year from the general fund to support the physical and programmatic activities of the Virginia Biotechnology Research Partnership Authority directly benefitting the two state laboratories and employees located in the Virginia Biotechnology Research Park and in recognition

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of comparable levels of support being provided by private sector tenants of the research park. This amount begins to match the voluntary contributions paid by the two private sector entities, Philip Morris, USA, and UNOS for the space they hold within the footprint of the facility.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 124 #3h

Commerce And Trade

FY 08-09

FY 09-10

Virginia Economic Development
Partnership

(\$350,000)

(\$350,000) GF

Language:

Page 100, line 5, strike "\$17,376,010" and insert "\$17,026,010".

Page 100, line 5, strike "\$17,376,010" and insert "\$17,026,010".

Explanation:

(This amendment removes funding for new and expanded international marketing initiatives at the Virginia Economic Development Partnership.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 124 #4h

Commerce And Trade

FY 08-09

FY 09-10

Virginia Economic Development
Partnership

(\$100,000)

(\$100,000) GF

Language:

Page 100, line 5, strike "\$17,376,010" and insert "\$17,276,010".

Page 100, line 5, strike "\$17,376,010" and insert "\$17,276,010".

Page 101, line 54, strike "\$484,500" and insert "\$384,500".

Page 102, line 1, strike "\$484,500" and insert "\$384,500".

Explanation:

(This amendment reduces funding for the Virginia National Defense Industrial Authority by \$100,000 each year. This Authority will reduced responsibilities in the upcoming biennium because none of the funding provided to address Base Alignment and Closure Recommendations is available for local grants; all funding included in the introduced budget is earmarked for particular purposes.)

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Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 124 #5h

Commerce And Trade	FY 08-09	FY 09-10	
Virginia Economic Development	\$10,707,314	\$10,707,314	GF
Partnership	\$1,245,603	\$1,245,603	NGF
	48.00	48.00	FTE

Language:

Page 100, line 5, strike "\$17,376,010" and insert "\$29,328,927".

Page 100, line 5, strike "\$17,376,010" and insert "\$29,328,927".

Page 91, after line 3, insert:

"E. Included in the amounts for this Item is the transfer of \$10,707,314 the first year, \$10,707,314 the second year and 41 full-time equivalent positions from the general fund, \$1,246,603 the first year and \$1,246,603 the second year and seven full-time equivalent positions from special and dedicated special revenue. These amounts reflect the transfer of the funding, positions and programmatic responsibilities of the Department of Business Assistance to the Virginia Economic Development Partnership pursuant to the provisions of House Bill 1522, 2008 Session of the General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment transfers the net funding, programs and positions from the Department of Business Assistance to the Virginia Economic Development Partnership to reflect the provisions of House Bill 1522 of the 2008 Session of the General Assembly. Also reflected is the elimination of the proposed \$2.0 million increase in the Virginia Jobs Investment Program funding that had been included in the budget as introduced.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 130 #1h

Commerce And Trade	FY 08-09	FY 09-10	
Virginia Tourism Authority	\$100,000	\$100,000	GF

Language:

Page 104, line 49, strike "\$16,594,330" and insert "\$16,694,330".

Page 104, line 49, strike "\$16,594,330" and insert "\$16,694,330".

Page 106, after line 9, insert:

"J. Out of the amounts provided for Tourist Promotion, \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the second year from the general fund shall be provided to the cooperative

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advertising program operated by the Outdoor Advertising Association of Virginia. The Outdoor Advertising Association of Virginia shall provide a total of at least \$300,000 in advertising value each year to promote tourism in Virginia."

Explanation:

(This amendment restores \$100,000 from the general fund each year for the cooperative advertising program run by the Outdoor Advertising Association of Virginia. These amounts match those included in the current biennial budget.)

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Item 130 #2h

Commerce And Trade

FY 08-09

FY 09-10

Virginia Tourism Authority

(\$2,500,000)

(\$2,500,000) NGF

Language:

Page 104, line 49, strike "\$16,594,330" and insert "\$14,094,330".

Page 104, line 49, strike "\$16,594,330" and insert "\$14,094,330".

Page 105, strike line 55.

Page 106, strike lines 1 through 5.

Explanation:

(This amendment removes the appropriation of \$2.5 million each year for the Tourism Enhancement Fund. These funds derive from the additional \$1.00 vehicle registration fee assessed to support the Jamestown 2007 commemoration. Now that the commemoration has occurred, in accordance with the original legislative intent, the fee is to be eliminated. A companion amendment to the Department of Motor Vehicles removes the language extending the fee.)

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Item 130 #3h

Commerce And Trade

FY 08-09

FY 09-10

Virginia Tourism Authority

\$225,000

\$225,000 GF

Language:

Page 104, line 49, strike "\$16,594,330" and insert "\$16,819,330".

Page 104, line 49, strike "\$16,594,330" and insert "\$16,819,330".

Page 106, after line 9, insert:

"J. Out of the amounts provided for Tourist Promotion, \$225,000 the first year and \$225,000 the second year from the general fund shall be provided to "See Virginia

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First," a public-private partnership operated by the Virginia Association of Broadcasters to advertise Virginia tourism. The Virginia Association of Broadcasters shall provide a total of at least \$675,000 in advertising value to promote tourism in Virginia in each fiscal year."

Explanation:

(This amendment restores funding for the "See Virginia First" cooperative advertising program that was eliminated in the budget as introduced. \$225,000 each year from the general fund is provided to secure private matching funds on a 1:3 basis.)

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Item 130 #5h

Commerce And Trade

FY 08-09

FY 09-10

Virginia Tourism Authority

\$100,000

\$100,000 GF

Language:

Page 104, line 49, strike "\$16,594,330" and insert "\$16,694,330".

Page 104, line 49, strike "\$16,594,330" and insert "\$16,694,330".

Page 106, after line 9, insert:

"J. Out of the amounts for Tourist Promotion shall be provided \$100,000 in the first year and \$100,000 in the second year from the general fund for the Coalfield Regional Tourism Authority."

Explanation:

(This amendment restores funding for the Coalfield's Regional Tourism Authority which was removed from the budget as introduced. The amendment provides \$100,000 each year from the general fund for operational funding for the Virginia Coalfield Regional Tourism Development Authority which develops, markets and promotes tourism-related efforts throughout the seven coalfield counties in southwest Virginia, including Buchanan, Lee, Russell, Scott, Tazewell, Dickenson, Wise, and the City of Norton. The tourism authority is in its 15th year and is working hard to market the region aggressively to showcase the vast amount of natural and historical resources it has to offer. This funding would allow the Authority to continue its mission to develop, market and expand the region as a whole.)

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Item 130 #7h

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Commerce And Trade	FY 08-09	FY 09-10	
Virginia Tourism Authority	(\$100,000)	(\$100,000)	GF

Language:

Page 104, line 49, strike "\$16,594,330" and insert "\$16,494,330".

Page 104, line 49, strike "\$16,594,330" and insert "\$16,494,330".

Page 106, strike line 6 through line 9.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates a new initiative proposed in the introduced budget to provide a \$100,000 pass-through grant from the general fund each year to the Daniel Boone Visitor's Center.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 473 #2h

Central Appropriations	FY 08-09	FY 09-10	
Central Appropriations	\$0	(\$6,000,000)	GF

Language:

Page 429, line 25, strike "\$41,016,406" and insert "\$35,016,406".

Page 431, line 57, strike "\$17,500,000" and insert "\$11,500,000".

Page 432, line 39, after "located", insert ","

Page 432, line 40, delete "and"

Page 432, line 41, after "Agency," insert:

"to assist in improvements resulting from the expansion of Fort Lee,"

Page 432, line 42, after "regional impact.", insert:

"From the amounts provided in paragraph H.1. of this item, \$2,000,000 in the second year shall be provided to assist in the retention of DARPA and \$2,000,000 for improvements related to the expansion of Fort Lee."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$4.0 million for improvements related to the BRAC actions impacting Fort Lee and the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency.)

Commerce - Economic Development Subcommittee

Item 473 #5h

Central Appropriations	FY 08-09	FY 09-10	
Central Appropriations	(\$5,000,000)	(\$2,000,000)	GF

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Language:

Page 429, line 25, strike "\$25,956,806" and insert "\$20,956,806".

Page 429, line 25, strike "\$41,016,406" and insert "\$39,016,406".

Page 432, strike lines 47 through 52 and insert:

"I. It is the intent of the General Assembly to fulfill the commitment made to provide incentive payments for the location of a research-related entity in accordance with the time frames set out in § 2.2-2240.1 D, Code of Virginia."

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates the proposed payment of the remaining incentive grants a research-entity may be eligible for under provisions of Chapter 693, 2007 Acts of Assembly. Of the total of \$22.0 million for which the entity is eligible through fiscal year 2013, \$15.0 million from the general fund has been paid although the entity has just begun operations in the Commonwealth in 2007. The remaining grants shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of the legislation and after the investments, job creation and expanded research opportunities have been demonstrated.)

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Natural Resources Subcommittee

Item 455.3 #6h

Central Appropriations

FY 06-07

FY 07-08

Central Appropriations

\$0 (\$15,000,000) GF

Language:

Page 194, line 17, strike "(\$271,964,163)" and insert "(\$286,964,163)".

Page 217, after line 8, insert:

"QQQQ. The provisions of paragraph B.1.b. of Item 364 of Chapter 847 of the 2007 Acts of Assembly are repealed and reenacted as follows:

Included in this item is \$5,000,000 the second year from the general fund to be deposited to the Water Quality Improvement Fund established in Title 10.1, Chapter 21.1, Code of Virginia."

Explanation:

(This amendment captures \$15 million in general fund appropriations for upgrading wastewater treatment plants. The Governor recommended this reduction in the amount of funding for upgrading wastewater treatment plants in his budget reduction plan issued on February 12, 2008. In that budget reduction plan, the Governor reported this appropriation was unnecessary because the Water Quality Improvement Fund had sufficient balances, because the construction of wastewater treatment plant upgrades takes several years, and because \$250 million in bonds had been authorized to finance these projects.)

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Natural Resources Subcommittee

Item 361 #1h

Natural Resources	FY 08-09	FY 09-10
Department Of Conservation And Recreation	\$362,562	\$0 NGF

Language:

Page 335, line 48, strike "\$64,245,793" and insert "\$64,608,355".

Page 337, after line 23, insert:

"H. Out of the appropriation for Land and Resource Management, \$362,562 the first year in special funds is provided from the sale of "Friend of the Chesapeake" license plates to carry out the recommendations of the Chesapeake Bay Restoration Fund Advisory Committee."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$362,562 the first year in nongeneral fund revenue to support the payment of grants approved by the Chesapeake Bay Restoration Fund Advisory Committee to 46 organizations that are working to either improve the health of the Chesapeake Bay, improve citizen's understanding of the Chesapeake Bay's ecology, or conduct research on issues of importance to improving the bay's health. The grants range in value between a minimum of \$400 and a maximum of \$26,000.)

Natural Resources Subcommittee

Item 361 #12h

Natural Resources	FY 08-09	FY 09-10
Department Of Conservation And Recreation	(\$6,000,000)	\$0 GF
	(\$14,000,000)	\$0 NGF

Language:

Page 335, line 48, strike "\$64,245,793" and insert "\$44,245,793".

Page 337, strike lines 5 through 23.

Page 337, line 19, strike "G.2." and insert "G."

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates the appropriation of \$6.0 million from the general fund, the diversion of \$9.0 million in interest earned on prior appropriations for upgrading wastewater treatment plants, and a deduction of \$5.0 million from the Water Quality Improvement Fund reserve fund established by the General Assembly

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during its 2004 Session. A companion amendment appropriates funding for deposit into the newly created Virginia Natural Resources Commitment Fund for the implementation of agricultural best management practices.)

Natural Resources Subcommittee

Item 361 #13h

Natural Resources	FY 08-09	FY 09-10
Department Of Conservation And	\$6,000,000	\$0 GF
Recreation	\$9,000,000	\$0 NGF

Language:

Page 335, line 48, strike "\$64,245,793" and insert "\$79,245,793".

Page 337, after line 4, insert:

"G. Included in the amounts appropriated within this item are \$6,000,000 the first year from the general fund and \$9,000,000 the first year in nongeneral fund revenue derived from the reserve fund established by the General Assembly within the Water Quality Improvement Fund, as described in paragraph B. of Item 360, and \$15,000,000 the second year from the revenue reserve fund contained in Item 473.1 of this act. These amounts shall be deposited into the Virginia Natural Resources Commitment Fund, established pursuant to House Bill 1335 of the 2008 Session of the General Assembly, for the implementation of agricultural best management practices."

Page 337, line 5, strike "G.1." and insert "H".

Page 337, line 19, strike "G.2." and insert "2."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$15.0 million the first year from both the general fund and the reserve fund established within the Water Quality Improvement Fund and \$15.0 million the second year from the revenue reserve fund contained in Item 473.1 of the Appropriation Act for deposit into the Virginia Natural Resources Commitment Fund, established pursuant to House Bill 1335 of the 2008 Session of the General Assembly, to implement agricultural best management practices across Virginia. The reserve fund within the Water Quality Improvement Fund, which was established by the 2004 Session of the General Assembly, was designed for use when there were no year-end general fund surpluses available for deposit into the Water Quality Improvement Fund. Given that nonpoint source pollution control strategies are supported solely from any surpluses deposited to the Water Quality Improvement Fund, the reserve fund was implemented to protect against the elimination of those services.)

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Natural Resources Subcommittee

Item 361 #14h

Natural Resources	FY 08-09	FY 09-10	
Department Of Conservation And Recreation	(\$500,000)	(\$500,000)	GF

Language:

Page 335, line 48, strike "\$64,245,793" and insert "\$63,745,793".

Page 335, line 48, strike "\$44,245,793" and insert "\$43,745,793".

Page 336, line 51, strike the first "\$1,350,000" and insert "\$850,000".

Page 336, line 51, strike the second "\$1,350,000" and insert "\$850,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment reduces the additional general fund support provided for the issuance of loans to individuals or loans or grants to localities for improving the safety of dams in need of renovation. House Bill 837 of the 2008 Session of the General Assembly provides for another financing method for the improvement of dams -- payment by developers who build within a dam's established spillways or inundation zones. If enacted by the General Assembly, this legislation would reduce the need for the loans and grants this fund would be required to issue.)

Natural Resources Subcommittee

Item 361 #15h

Natural Resources	FY 08-09	FY 09-10	
Department Of Conservation And Recreation	\$250,000	\$0	GF

Language:

Page 335, line 48, strike "\$64,245,793" and insert "\$64,495,793".

Page 336, line 49, after "F.", insert "1."

Page 337, after line 4, insert:

"2. Included in the amounts for this item is \$250,000 the first year from the general fund for the dredging of Aquia Creek to restore a navigable channel in this component of the Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Trail, the first federally-designated national water trail."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$250,000 the first year from the general fund to

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dredge Aquia Creek, which siltation has rendered nearly unnavigable. The creek has been included in the federally-designated water trail established in 2006 known as the Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Trail. Part of the reason for the creek's inclusion in the trail is that the 17-acre Government Island site is located within in Aquia Creek. This island provided the sandstone for construction of the White House, Capitol, and Treasury building. The island may soon be listed on the National Register of Historic Places.)

Natural Resources Subcommittee

Item 362 #2h

Natural Resources

FY 08-09

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Department Of Conservation And
Recreation

\$100,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 337, line 24, strike "\$49,912,884" and insert "\$50,012,884".

Page 338, after line 42, insert:

"K. Out of the amounts appropriated for Financial Assistance for Recreational Development, and pursuant to § 10.1-1618, Code of Virginia, \$100,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the Virginia Recreational Facilities Authority."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding for the continuing operations of the gubernatorially-appointed Virginia Recreational Facilities Authority Board. The board provides a visitor center focusing on area natural and historical resources, as well as land and waterway trails. Pursuant to § 10.1-1618, Code of Virginia, should the Authority cease its operations it must transfer the title to any real property it holds to the Commonwealth for administration by the Department of Conservation and Recreation.)

Natural Resources Subcommittee

Item 362 #7h

Natural Resources

Department Of Conservation And
Recreation

Language

Language:

Page 338, after line 42, insert:

"K. The Department of Conservation and Recreation shall report to the Chairmen of

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the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees by September 1, 2008 the steps it has taken to secure the transfer of the property known as Grand Caverns Park from the Upper Valley Regional Park Authority and what activities it has taken to demolish any substandard structures on the property or to enhance the number of visitors to the Grand Caverns."

Explanation:

(This amendment requires the Department of Conservation and Recreation to report the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees what steps have been taken to secure the Grand Caverns Property and what activities it has conducted on the site to date.)

Natural Resources Subcommittee

Item 362 #12h

Natural Resources	FY 08-09	FY 09-10	
Department Of Conservation And	\$0	(\$1,500,000)	GF
Recreation	0.00	-15.00	FTE

Language:

Page 337, line 24, strike "\$51,412,884" and insert "\$49,912,884".

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates \$1.5 million and 15 positions appropriated in the second year of the biennium for state parks operations. Since its 2005 Session, the General Assembly has provided more than \$6.5 million in additional support for state park operations. This additional support has added nearly 70 new positions for use within the state parks system, as well as funding for equipment replacement, and additional seasonal workers. Given the reductions in available general fund resources, program and service expansions are not fiscally prudent at this time.)

Natural Resources Subcommittee

Item 362 #13h

Natural Resources	FY 08-09	FY 09-10	
Department Of Conservation And	(\$950,000)	(\$950,000)	GF
Recreation			

Language:

Page 337, line 24, strike "\$49,912,884" and insert "\$48,962,884".

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Page 337, line 24, strike "\$51,412,884" and insert "\$50,462,884".

Explanation:

(This amendment reduces the level of general fund support for the Virginia Outdoors Foundation by \$950,000 each year. This amount was contained in Chapter 847, of the Appropriation Act of 2007, as a one-time appropriation in the first year to assist the Virginia Outdoors Foundation with technology upgrades and other expenses. The Governor's introduced budget that year also contained this amount as a one-time expense. The Virginia Outdoors Foundation already receives a \$1.00 fee on each deed recorded in any locality in which the foundation holds an easement. These fees are estimated to produce \$1.3 million each year for the Virginia Outdoors Foundation's operations. As more easements are recorded in more localities across Virginia, this fee revenue will increase as well.)

Natural Resources Subcommittee

Item 362 #14h

Natural Resources

FY 08-09

FY 09-10

Department Of Conservation And
Recreation

(\$1,000,000)

(\$1,000,000) GF

Language:

Page 337, line 24, strike "\$49,912,884" and insert "\$48,912,884".

Page 337, line 24, strike "\$51,412,884" and insert "\$50,412,884".

Page 338, line 16, strike "\$3,000,000" and insert "\$2,000,000".

Page 338, line 17, strike "\$3,000,000" and insert "\$2,000,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment reduces the level of general fund support for land conservation by \$1.0 million each year. Land acquisition funding is included in House Bill 1547 of the 2008 Session of the General Assembly.)

Natural Resources Subcommittee

Item 362 #15h

Natural Resources

FY 08-09

FY 09-10

Department Of Conservation And
Recreation

\$250,000

\$250,000 GF

Language:

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Page 337, line 24, strike "\$49,912,884" and insert "\$50,162,884".

Page 337, line 24, strike "\$51,412,884" and insert "\$51,662,884".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$250,000 each year from the general fund to support the operations of Virginia's state parks.)

Natural Resources Subcommittee

Item 368 #8h

Natural Resources

Department Of Environmental
Quality

FY 08-09
(\$3,000,000)

FY 09-10
(\$3,000,000) GF

Language:

Page 340, line 49, strike "\$119,884,181" and insert "\$116,884,181".

Page 340, line 49, strike "\$117,934,181" and insert "\$114,934,181".

Page 341, strike lines 13 through 21.

Page 341, line 22, strike "B."

Explanation:

(This amendment captures \$3.0 million in general fund support for combined sewer overflow projects underway in the cities of Richmond and Lynchburg. Given that available general fund revenues have declined significantly, the progress that the two cities have made in addressing their combined sewer overflow problems, and the lack of federal funding for this issue, remaining general fund resources are being directed to core responsibilities with a statewide impact.)

Natural Resources Subcommittee

Item 368 #9h

Natural Resources

Department Of Environmental
Quality

FY 08-09
(\$1,200,000)

FY 09-10
\$0 GF

Language:

Page 340, line 49, strike "\$119,884,181" and insert "\$118,684,181".

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates \$1.2 million in additional general fund support for

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the Virginia Water Facilities Revolving Loan Fund. The appropriation was to serve as match for additional federal funds. However, when the Department of Environmental Quality announced that Virginia could fulfill its responsibilities for reducing nitrogen and phosphorus pollution from wastewater treatment plants, these additional federal funds were not available. Given that progress, and the fact that the majority of the loans made by the Virginia Water Facilities Revolving Loan Fund are based upon the stream of repayments from existing loans, it did not seem this additional general fund support was warranted given the reduction in available general fund resources. Furthermore, it was just two years ago that the Governor's introduced budget captured \$3.9 million in general fund match for these federal funds in fiscal year 2007, and an additional \$720,000 in general fund match for fiscal year 2008.)

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Item 368 #10h

Natural Resources

Department Of Environmental
Quality

Language

Language:

Page 341, after line 27, insert:

"C. In order to remain eligible for reimbursement grants from the General Assembly under § 10.1-1186.01, Code of Virginia, the Hopewell Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility shall enter into a contractual agreement with a manufacturer operating a facility located in the City of Hopewell, employing more than 600 employees at such facility, to reimburse the manufacturer in the amount of \$5,000,000 for design and installation costs for systems that will reduce total nitrogen annual mass load from that manufacturer to 67 percent of the 2007 total nitrogen mass load discharged by that manufacturer into the Hopewell Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility. Upon a certification by the Department of Environmental Quality that the Hopewell Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility has entered into such an agreement with a manufacturer as described in this paragraph, there shall be a grant made from the Water Quality Improvement Fund in the amount of \$5,000,000 to the Hopewell Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility to finance the costs of reimbursement to the manufacturer. The amount of the grant made to the Hopewell Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility under this paragraph shall be included in calculating the total amount granted to the Hopewell Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility from the Water Quality Improvement Fund for the costs of the design and installation of nutrient removal technology under §

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10.1-1186.01 (E)."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides for the reimbursement of the costs of improving the nitrogen removal technology used by a manufacturer that represents 50 percent of the wastewater flowing into the Hopewell Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility. The nitrogen reductions in the manufacturer's discharge to the wastewater treatment facility should yield much quicker improvements in the water quality surrounding Hopewell than would be the case while design plans and construction of a upgrades to the entire Hopewell wastewater treatment plant were implemented. This amendment should also reduce the scope of the changes needed by the Hopewell Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility.)

Natural Resources Subcommittee

Item 371 #1h

Natural Resources

FY 08-09

FY 09-10

Department Of Game And Inland
Fisheries

\$25,000

\$25,000 NGF

Language:

Page 342, line 32, strike "\$5,388,308" and insert "\$5,413,308".

Page 342, line 32, strike "\$5,388,308" and insert "\$5,413,308".

Page 342, after line 40, insert:

"Out of the amounts appropriated for Enforcement of Boating Safety Laws and Regulations, \$25,000 the first year and \$25,000 the second year in nongeneral funds is provided to develop the navigation aid system on Leesville Lake in conformance with U.S. Coast Guard standards."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$25,000 each year in nongeneral funds to develop the navigational aid system on Leesville Lake in conformance with U.S. Coast Guard standards. The only navigational aids currently in place on the lake were provided by a local boating association. In addition, there are no lights on nearby bridges or the docks for mooring boats.)

Natural Resources Subcommittee

Item 371 #2h

Natural Resources

FY 08-09

FY 09-10

Department Of Game And Inland

\$25,000

\$25,000 NGF

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Fisheries

Language:

Page 342, line 32, strike "\$5,388,308" and insert "\$5,413,308".

Page 342, line 32, strike "\$5,388,308" and insert "\$5,413,308".

Page 342, after line 40, insert:

"Out of the amounts appropriated for Enforcement of Boating Safety Laws and Regulations, \$25,000 the first year and \$25,000 the second year in nongeneral funds is provided to further develop the navigation aid system on Smith Mountain Lake in conformance with U.S. Coast Guard standards."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$25,000 each year in nongeneral funds to further develop the navigational aid system on Smith Mountain Lake in conformance with U.S. Coast Guard standards.)

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Item 373 #1h

Natural Resources

Department Of Game And Inland
Fisheries

Language

Language:

Page 343, line 12, strike the first "\$17,660,500" and insert "\$16,708,734".

Page 343, line 12, strike the second "\$17,660,500" and insert "\$16,708,734".

Explanation:

(This amendment adjusts the level of general fund support provided to the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries to reflect a reduction in the amount of general fund resources transferred to the agency through the Game Protection Fund.)

Natural Resources Subcommittee

Item 376 #1h

Natural Resources

Marine Resources Commission

FY 08-09

(\$246,278)

\$246,278

FY 09-10

(\$246,278) GF

\$246,278 NGF

Language:

Page 347, after line 27, insert:

"I. Pursuant to § 28.2-302.3, Code of Virginia, \$146,278 in nongeneral fund

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proceeds from the Virginia Saltwater Recreational Fishing Development Fund shall be used each year to supplant a similar amount of general fund support now supporting Marine Life Regulation Enforcement.

J. Pursuant to § 28.2-208, Code of Virginia, \$100,000 in nongeneral fund proceeds from the Marine Fishing Improvement Fund shall be used each year to supplant a similar amount of general fund support currently supporting Chesapeake Bay Fisheries Management and Oyster Propagation and Habitat Improvement. The Marine Resources Commission shall determine the method for distributing this \$100,000 between the two marine fisheries management programs."

Explanation:

(This amendment supplants general fund support for Marine Life Regulation Enforcement, Chesapeake Bay Fisheries Management, and Oyster Propagation and Habitat Improvement using license revenue collected from the sale of commercial and recreational fishing licenses. The total amount of general fund support that will be supplanted by these license revenues is \$246,278. Currently, the Marine Resources Commission uses a large portion of these license revenues to provide grants to other state agencies and non-state agencies for various projects. In addition, when confronted by the need to reduce its budget, the Marine Resources Commission offered up the use of these license fee revenues to offset its budget reductions. That strategy was adopted by the Governor in his October 2007 budget reduction plan.)

Natural Resources Subcommittee

Item 380 #1h

Natural Resources

Virginia Museum Of Natural
History

FY 08-09

(\$150,000)

FY 09-10

(\$150,000) GF

Language:

Page 348, line 16, strike "\$4,086,814" and insert "\$3,936,814".

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Explanation:

(This amendment provides for a four percent reduction in the level of support for the Virginia Museum of Natural History. The Virginia Museum of Natural History was one of three Natural Resources agencies for which no general fund reduction was imposed. The other two agencies were the Department of Game and Inland

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Fisheries and the Chippokes Plantation Farm Foundation. Many agencies throughout state government received at least five percent reductions.)

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Page 490, line 28, strike the first "\$10,560,500" and insert "\$9,608,734" .

Page 490, line 28, strike the second \$10,560,500" and insert "\$9,608,734".

Explanation:

(This amendment captures funding originally provided for the purchase of property from the Trevillians Station Battlefield Foundation. The property has not been purchased, largely due to inaction by the foundation.)
