

# Legislative

The adopted budget for the Legislative Department includes a net increase of \$3.8 million GF (3.2 percent) when compared to Chapters 3 and 10, 2006 Special Session I (approved October 25, 2006).

- **General Assembly of Virginia**

- *Senate Joint Resolution 372.* Includes \$12,500 GF the second year for the joint subcommittee to study the feasibility of a statewide health insurance experience pool for state and local government employees, including the health insurance costs of state and local early retirees not eligible for Medicare, as provided in SJR 372.
- *Joint Subcommittee on Elementary and Secondary Education Funding.* Includes language creating a joint subcommittee to study Standards of Quality re-benchmarking cost trends and cost drivers.
- *Operation of the Expanded Capitol.* Provides \$0.3 million GF the first year and \$0.9 million GF the second year for increased operations and maintenance costs for the newly renovated and expanded State Capitol.
- *Additional Improvements to the Capitol.* Provides an additional \$0.4 million GF the second year for renovation and expansion of the State Capitol.
- *Salary of the Clerk of the House of Delegates.* Includes language authorizing the Speaker of the House of Delegates to establish a salary range for the Clerk of the House of Delegates.

- **Division of Legislative Services**

- *Capitol Tour Guides.* Includes \$11,900 GF the first year and \$94,500 GF the second year and two positions for capitol tour guides.
- *Compensation Supplements.* Provides \$225,000 GF the second year for compensation adjustments, subject to the approval of a plan by the Joint Rules Committee.

- **Chesapeake Bay Commission**

- *Dues Increase.* Includes \$13,644 GF the second year for a dues increase for the Chesapeake Bay Commission.

- **Virginia Code Commission**
  - *Administrative Law Advisory Committee.* Includes \$30,000 GF the second year to reinstate the Administrative Law Advisory Committee.
  
- **Virginia Sesquicentennial of the American Civil War Commission**
  - *Commission Expenses.* Includes \$57,000 GF the first year and \$2.2 million GF and \$500,000 NGF the second year for commission expenses. The first year amount includes support for a feasibility study in preparation for fund-raising activities, along with expenses for an advisory committee. The second year amount includes general fund support for one fundraising position and for ongoing expenses for the commemoration of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Civil War. The second year amount also includes \$2 million GF for planning for a visitor center and museum facility. The nongeneral fund amount is an estimate of private funds to be raised or grants to be obtained by the commission.
  
- **Commission on Prevention of Human Trafficking**
  - *Commission Expenses.* Adds \$9,360 GF the second year for the Commission on Prevention of Human Trafficking, pursuant to House Bill 2923.
  
- **Legislative Department Reversion Clearing Account**
  - *Legislative Balances.* Includes language authorizing the Joint Rules Committee to revert budget savings from legislative agencies, estimated at \$4.2 million GF as of June 30, 2007, to the general fund.
  - *House Clerk's Balances.* Includes language authorizing the House Rules Committee to revert budget savings from the Clerk of the House of Delegates, estimated at \$2.0 million as of June 30, 2007, to the general fund.