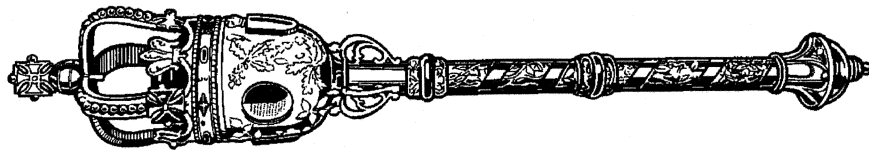


*Report of the
House Appropriations
Subcommittee*

on

Higher Education



House Bill 1400

February 8, 2015

REPORT OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE

on

HIGHER EDUCATION

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee:

Mr. Chairman, increasing access and holding down costs for Virginia families has been the chief concern of this Committee for many years. Therefore, the Subcommittee's recommendations today continue to reflect the roadmap we passed in 2011 with the "Top Jobs for the 21st Century" legislation and our shared commitment of affordable access to our public colleges and universities. The Subcommittee recommendations reflect targeted investments that provides some additional operating support, faculty salary increases, and financial aid. The Subcommittee believes this will not only allow for greater access and affordability, but enhance the quality of our higher education system.

With that in mind, Mr. Chairman, the Subcommittee recommends amendments that provide for \$19.8 million additional operating support. Cumulatively, these funds will provide all institutions with about 44 percent of budget relief from the proposed reductions in the introduced budget. In addition, this recommendation provides enrollment growth for new in-state undergraduate seats for institutions with graduation rates above 60 percent. This builds on the 1,700 seat expansion from four years ago and expands the schools involved. Finally, these funds also provide enrollment growth for transfer students at the remaining senior institutions as well as the two-year colleges. This is intended as an incentive for those institutions to continue to grow their transfer programs with the community colleges as opposed to increasing first-time freshmen.

Using this “2 + 2” model will benefit the students with a less costly degree as well as provide a pathway to success.

The Subcommittee also recommends \$2.1 million in new financial aid funding. Of this amount, \$1.2 million is targeted for an innovative expansion of the transfer grant program. The Subcommittee is providing \$600,000 to six institutions to provide a \$1,000 “kicker” to the two-year transfer grant. Matching funds are also provided to SCHEV for the base transfer grant.

In addition to these funds, Mr. Chairman, the Subcommittee looked for ways to encourage and reward innovation and research at Virginia colleges and universities. To that end, the Subcommittee recommends \$5.0 million in the second year to support research efforts at our institutions. This includes funding for cancer research at UVA and VCU, brain disorder research at Virginia Tech, and biomedical research at ODU. In addition, the Subcommittee recommends the following innovative endeavors:

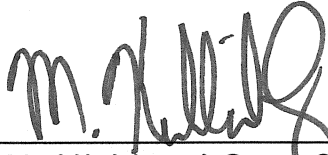
- Creation of the Commonwealth Center for Advanced Logistics Systems (CCALS) to be housed at VCU in partnership with industry. CCALS will begin by modeling ongoing operations at the Virginia Port Authority;
- Development and delivery of new education models for STEM-H and other high-demand credentials and careers at Richard Bland College;
- Two new degree pathways for veterans at George Mason, one in cybersecurity and the other in nursing; and,
- Development of a comprehensive online course offering by George Mason University.

Finally, Mr. Chairman, the Subcommittee is also pleased to recommend \$12 million for a two percent faculty salary increase at our higher education institutions. We are also pleased to recognize the funding contained in Central Accounts for compensation adjustments for our classified staff. I want to thank Mr. Poindexter for his work on this issue. Mr. Chairman, thank you for your leadership in making this possible for our hard working state employees.

When coupled with the reform legislation related to athletic fees, financial aid and greater autonomy, these recommendations will continue to build on our recent successes and offer Virginia students more opportunities to get a high quality, affordable education.

Mr. Chairman, details of our Subcommittee recommendations are attached. Committee staff will review our report and the attached listing of our recommendations in greater detail and I hope that it will be the pleasure of the Committee to adopt them.

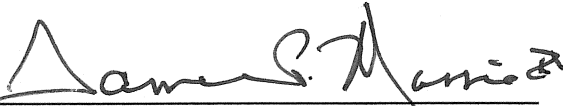
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M. Kirkland Cox, Chairman



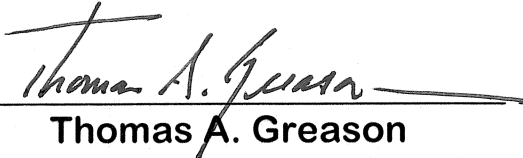
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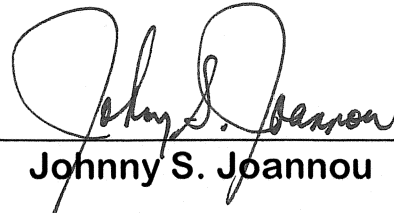
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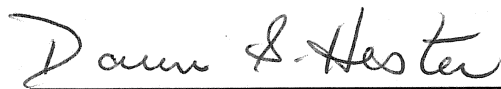
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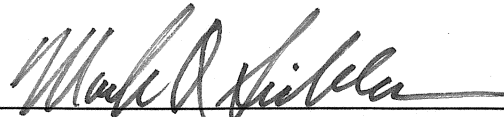
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General Assembly

Joint Subcommittee (JLARC Cost Efficiency Study)

Language

State Council Of Higher Education For Virginia

Clarify TAG, VMSDEP and Transfer Grant Carry Forward

Language

Two-Year Transfer Grant

600,000

0

0.00

Implement JLARC Recommendations

143,447

0

1.00

Restore VWIL (Central Accounts Item 471.10)

21,553

0

0.00

Implement House Bill 1336

35,000

0

0.00

R & D Equipment Workgroup

Language

Christopher Newport University

Clarify Implementation of Reductions

Language

2% Faculty Salary Increase

351,209

0

0.00

House Operating Support

299,332

Language

0.00

Defer Proposed Fin Aid Increase

(100,000)

0

0.00

College Of William And Mary

Clarify Implementation of Reductions

Language

2% Faculty Salary Increase

0

645,328

0.00

House Operating Support / CWM Initiatives

495,720

Language

2.50

Defer Proposed Fin Aid Increase

(100,000)

0

0.00

Richard Bland College

House Operating Support / Innovative Pathways

214,053

Language

0.00

2% Faculty Salary Increase

43,303

0

0.00

Defer Proposed Fin Aid Increase

(100,000)

0

0.00

Virginia Institute Of Marine Science

2% Faculty Salary Increase

146,253

0

0.00

Monitor Shellfish

500,000

0

3.30

George Mason University

On-line Course Offering

Language

Clarify Implementation of Reductions

Language

2% Faculty Salary Increase

1,846,828

0

0.00

House Operating Support / GMU Initiatives

2,871,569

0

0.00

Modeling and Simulation

500,000

0

0.00

Research Innovation Hub

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James Madison University

Clarify Implementation of Reductions		Language	
2% Faculty Salary Increase	949,760	0	0.00
House Operating Support / JMU Initiatives	1,740,552	Language	0.00
Defer Proposed Fin Aid Increase	(100,000)	0	0.00

Longwood University

Clarify Implementation of Reductions		Language	
2% Faculty Salary Increase	319,474	0	0.00
House Operating Support / Longwood Initiatives	286,504	Language	0.00
Defer Proposed Fin Aid Increase	(100,000)	0	0.00

Norfolk State University

Clarify Implementation of Reductions		Language	
2% Faculty Salary Increase	341,812	0	0.00
House Operating Support / Fin Aid Flexibility	500,337	625,000	0.00
Two-Year Transfer Grant Initiative	80,000	0	0.00
Defer Proposed Fin Aid Increase	(100,000)	0	0.00
Defer Proposed Base Adequacy	(376,573)	0	0.00

Old Dominion University

Clarify Implementation of Reductions		Language	
2% Faculty Salary Increase	1,080,181	0	0.00
House Operating Support / ODU Initiatives	2,182,606	Language	0.00
Center for Bioelectrics	750,000	0	0.00
Two-Year Transfer Grant Initiative	140,000	0	0.00
Defer Proposed Fin Aid Increase	(100,000)	0	0.00
Defer Proposed Base Adequacy	(1,468,655)	0	0.00

Radford University

Clarify Implementation of Reductions		Language	
2% Faculty Salary Increase	574,731	0	0.00
House Operating Support / Radford Initiatives	662,812	Language	0.00
Two-Year Transfer Grant Initiative	140,000	0	0.00
Defer Proposed Fin Aid Increase	(100,000)	0	0.00

University Of Mary Washington

Clarify Implementation of Reductions		Language	
2% Faculty Salary Increase	311,861	0	0.00
House Operating Support / Fin Aid Flexibility	930,028	Language	0.00

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University Of Virginia

Clarify Implementation of Reductions		Language	
2% Faculty Salary Increase	0	1,396,699	0.00
House Operating Support / UVA Initiatives	1,608,886	Language	0.00
Cancer Research	1,000,000	0	0.00
Defer Proposed Fin Aid Increase	(100,000)	0	0.00

University Of Virginia Medical Center

Medical Emergency Helipad	250,000	0	0.00
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University Of Virginia's College At Wise

Clarify Implementation of Reductions		Language	
2% Faculty Salary Increase	109,807	0	0.00
House Operating Support / UVA Wise Initiatives	240,877	Language	0.00
Two-Year Transfer Grant Initiative	20,000	0	0.00
Defer Proposed Fin Aid Increase	(100,000)	0	0.00
Defer Proposed Base Adequacy	(115,613)	0	0.00

Virginia Commonwealth University

Clarify Implementation of Reductions		Language	
2% Faculty Salary Increase	1,786,187	0	0.00
House Operating Support / VCU Initiatives	1,483,852	Language	0.00
Cancer Research	1,000,000	0	0.00
Two-Year Transfer Grant Initiative	140,000	0	0.00
Defer Proposed Fin Aid Increase	(100,000)	0	0.00

Virginia Community College System

Clarify Implementation of Reductions		Language	
2% Faculty Salary Increase	2,927,304	0	0.00
House Operating Support / VCCS Initiatives	3,500,031	Language	0.00
Defer Proposed New Grant / Fin Aid Flexibility	(1,200,000)	0	0.00
Workforce Training Credential Plan		Language	

Virginia Military Institute

Clarify Implementation of Reductions		Language	
2% Faculty Salary Increase	119,420	0	0.00
House Operating Support / VMI Initiatives	258,910	Language	0.00
Defer Proposed Fin Aid Increase	(100,000)	0	0.00

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Virginia Polytechnic Institute And State University

Clarify Implementation of Reductions		Language	
2% Faculty Salary Increase	0	1,765,460	0.00
House Operating Support / VT Initiatives	1,964,939	Language	0.00
Brain Disorder Research	1,250,000	0	0.00
Defer Proposed Fin Aid Increase	(100,000)	0	0.00

Virginia Cooperative Extension And Agricultural Experiment Station

2% Faculty Salary Increase	755,136	0	0.00
Correct Employee Benefits Distribution	1,244,482	0	0.00

Virginia State University

Clarify Implementation of Reductions		Language	
2% Faculty Salary Increase	283,637	0	0.00
House Operating Support / Fin Aid Flexibility	558,992	0	0.00
Two-Year Transfer Grant Initiative	80,000	0	0.00
Defer Proposed Fin Aid Increase	(100,000)	0	0.00
Defer Proposed Base Adequacy	(331,341)	0	0.00

Cooperative Extension And Agricultural Research Services

2% Faculty Salary Increase	40,447	0	0.00
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Eastern Virginia Medical School

Restore Operating Support (Central Accounts)	250,000	0	0.00
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Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation

Yorktown Museum	232,000	0	0.00
2019 Commemoration	150,000	0	0.00

Jefferson Labs

Authorize GOF for Electron Collider	(4,200,000)	Language	0.00
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Virginia College Building Authority

HEETF Allocation		Language	
GRAND TOTAL	31,221,650	4,432,487	6.80

Part IV General Provisions

Legislative Approval for New Federal Aid Programs	Language
Strategic Plans	Language
Implement JLARC Recommendations	Language
Intercollegiate Athletic Fees	Language
VGAP Financial Aid Reform	Language
Higher Education Autonomy	Language

