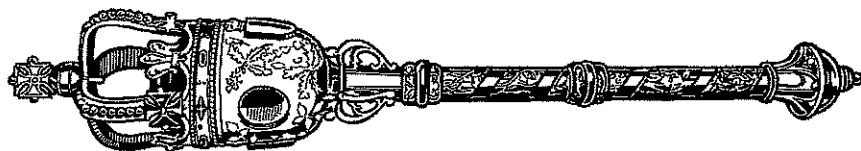


*Report of the
House Appropriations
Subcommittee*

on

Higher Education



House Bill 1700

February 3, 2019

REPORT OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE
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Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee:

Mr. Chairman, the Subcommittee's recommendations today continue the progress we made last session to reflect this Committee's consistent goals of increasing access for Virginia students, holding down costs for Virginia families, enhancing the quality of their education and improving their job opportunities.

You will recall Mr. Chairman, last session we started a new approach of funding degree production in four key areas – Data Science & Technology, Science & Engineering, Healthcare & Education. Our goal was to better align our public institutions with the Commonwealth's strategic goals and business and industry. Here we are a year later and that approach is a key component of how we plan to address the tech talent pipeline and create the needed degrees for Amazon and beyond. To that end, Mr. Chairman, the Subcommittee recommends \$27.9 million to increase the number of computer science and related degrees contemplated in HB 2490.

Mr. Chairman, this Subcommittee has attempted over the years to address the issue of college affordability. This year we are able to build on the significant investment from last session, and we believe, make a dent in the cost of attending our public colleges and universities. There Mr. Chairman, the Subcommittee recommends \$45.7 million to allow colleges to keep tuition at the FY 2019 levels. When you combine these funds with the funding for salaries, degree production, general operating support and financial aid, which total over \$157 million in FY 20, we would submit there is no reason that our colleges should not

be able to provide Virginia families with a break from another year of tuition increases. Mr. Chairman, I would point out this is not mandatory. Essentially the institution's Board of Visitors can choose to decline the new general fund and continue on their well-worn path. If that is their choice, we ask that their Rector provide a copy of the Board Resolution to the Chairman explaining that choice.

Mr. Chairman, the Subcommittee also recommends additional funding of \$4 million for workforce credential grants and \$5.2 million for tuition assistance grants, providing Virginians with affordable alternative pathways toward a postsecondary education.

Mr. Chairman, our recommendations also include \$3.5 million to support Eastern Virginia Medical School accreditation requirements and community health programs in partnership with Sentara. Also, Mr. Chairman, the Subcommittee enthusiastically recommends \$8 million for the creation of the Hampton Roads Biomedical Research Consortium, a partnership with the University of Virginia, Old Dominion University, Eastern Virginia Medical School and private or non-profit hospitals. This has the potential to provide significant economic growth opportunities in the Hampton Roads region.

Finally, Mr. Chairman, the Subcommittee would like to thank you and Mr. Poindexter for your leadership and support in providing what is now a 3% faculty salary increase beginning July 2019. Higher education remains a labor intensive enterprise and these funds along with our other recommendations will provide our institutions with the ability to meet the needs of our students and keep tuition affordable for Virginia families.

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.

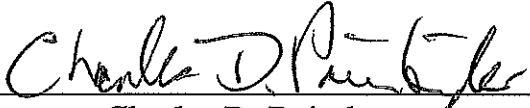
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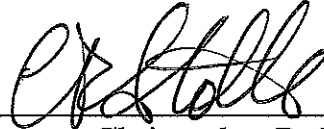
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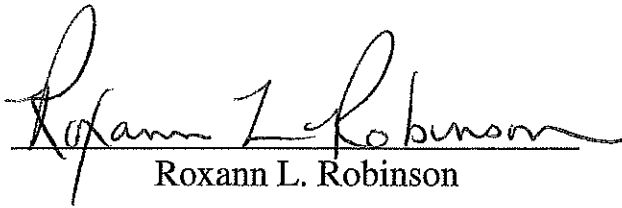
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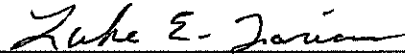
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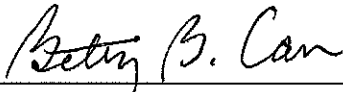
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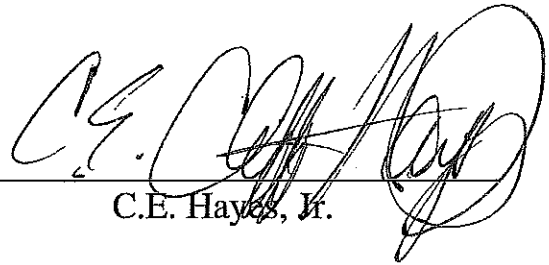
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State Council Of Higher Education For Virginia		
Technical Language Changes	Language	0 0.00
Removed Proposed Language Changes to Workforce Grant Program	Language	0 0.00
Grow Your Own Teachers	240,000	0 0.00
Eliminate Proposed New Language	Language	0 0.00
Education Summit	75,000	0 0.00
Christopher Newport University		
Financial Aid	(664,882)	0 0.00
College Of William And Mary		
Financial Aid	(38,855)	0 0.00
Richard Bland College		
O & M Ernst Hall	262,000	0 0.00
EO-19 Requirements and VITA Charges	250,000	0 0.00
Financial Aid	(238,536)	0 0.00
Virginia Institute Of Marine Science		
Remove Proposed New Program	(386,668)	0 (2.75)
Commonwealth Coastal Research Fellows	200,000	0 0.00
George Mason University		
Veterans and Arts Initiative	150,000	0 0.00
Online Initiative	Language	0 0.00
Financial Aid	(2,920,393)	0 0.00
Virginia Neuroscience Initiative	275,000	0 0.00
James Madison University		
Financial Aid	(1,173,512)	0 0.00
Longwood University		
Financial Aid	(535,893)	0 0.00

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Norfolk State University

Eliminate Proposed Language	Language	0	0.00
Center for African American Public Policy	298,000	0	1.00
Financial Aid	(907,275)	0	0.00

Old Dominion University

Marine Rescue Program	25,000	0	0.00
Financial Aid	(597,234)	0	0.00

Radford University

Financial Aid	(628,345)	0	0.00
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University Of Mary Washington

Financial Aid	(134,119)	0	0.00
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University Of Virginia

Eliminate Proposed Increase	(200,000)	0	0.00
Financial Aid	(67,384)	0	0.00

University Of Virginia's College At Wise

Eliminate Proposed Language	Language	0	0.00
Eliminate New Program Planning	(600,000)	0	0.00
Financial Aid	(398,527)	0	0.00

Virginia Commonwealth University

School of Medicine Substance Abuse Fellowship	75,000	0	0.00
Financial Aid	(2,204,146)	0	0.00

Virginia Community College System

Remove Proposed New Funding	(5,500,000)	0	(79.00)
Transfer Computer Science Teacher Training to DOE	(1,100,000)	0	0.00
Eliminate New Proposal for Online Program	(130,000)	0	0.00
Dual Enrollment	Language	0	0.00
Jefferson College of Health Sciences merger (HB 2181)	347,892	0	0.00
Financial Aid	(3,474,453)	0	0.00
Philpott Manufacturing Extension Partnership	158,650	0	0.00

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Virginia Military Institute			
Math that Matters	121,000	0	1.00
Financial Aid	(11,071)	0	0.00
Virginia Polytechnic Institute And State University			
Financial Aid	(991,397)	0	0.00
Unique Military	173,000	0	0.00
Virginia Cooperative Extension And Agricultural Experiment Station			
Remove Proposed Increase	(678,481)	0	0.00
Extension Agents and Research Specialists	1,250,000	0	7.50
Virginia State University			
Eliminate Proposed Language	Language		0.00
Remove New Proposal	(299,286)	(224,464)	0.00
Agriculture Education	234,000		2.00
Financial Aid	(480,861)		0.00
Frontier Culture Museum			
Proposed New Spending	(15,000)	0	0.00
Safety and Security Upgrades	100,000	0	0.00
Update and Expand Information Technology	50,000	0	0.00
Wage-hour Employee Retention	100,000	0	0.00
Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation			
Landscaping / Housekeeping Staff	243,626	0	3.00
Improve Site Security	280,832	0	0.00
State Library			
State Library - HB 1702	945,000	0	0.00
Virginia Commission for the Arts			
Proposed New Grants	(250,000)		
Proposed New Spending	(15,856)		
Eastern Virginia Medical School			
Accreditation and Community Health Programs	3,500,000	0	0.00
Higher Education Research Initiative			
Cyber Initiative Technical Language	Language	0	0.00
In-State Undergraduate Affordability			
Maintain Tuition at 2019 Levels	45,688,000	0	0.00
Virginia College Savings Plan			
ABLEnow Program	0	2,500,000	0.00

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Central Appropriations

Remove Proposed New Spending	(1,375,202)
Central Appropriations - Remove Proposed New Funding	(19,000,000)
Hampton Roads Biomedical Research Consortium	8,000,000
Tech Talent Investment Fund (HB 2490)	27,900,000

Part IV General Provisions

Out-of-State Tuition Flexibility	0	Language	0.00
Univ of Mary Washington Comp Fee Waiver (Technical)	0	Language	0.00
Employment Waiting Period Requirement for Board of Visitors	0	Language	0.00
GRAND TOTAL	<u>45,924,624</u>	<u>2,275,536</u>	<u>(67.25)</u>