

Agriculture, Commerce, Technology & Natural Resources

Request to Amend House Bill 1400, as Introduced

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Stolle

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Tyler

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Chief Patron: Albo

Item 101 #4h

Commerce and Trade

Economic Development Incentive
Payments

Language

Language:

Page 85, after line 22, insert:

"7. Up to \$5,000,000 of the amounts appropriated in this item in the second year for the Governor's Development Opportunity Fund shall be used to capitalize the Translational Medicine Investment Fund created pursuant to the provisions of House Bill 1539, 2015 Session of the General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs the use of up to \$5,000,000 from the increased appropriation for the Governor's Opportunity Fund to establish the Virginia Translational Medicine Investment Fund from which the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority would make loans to and cash investments in private businesses conducting research in the Commonwealth in translational medicine. The Authority is to administer the Fund as a revolving loan and investment fund. Cash investments and loans are restricted to products and services that are in the advanced research stage of translational medicine. The Authority is required to enter into a memorandum of understanding with each business it intends to invest in, which sets out the repayment terms of any loan, the ownership share or interest required for any equity investment, and requirements for retention of research and development in the Commonwealth. The Authority may not acquire more than a 25 percent ownership interest in any private business. This fund is established pursuant to House Bill 1539, 2015 Session of the General Assembly.)

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Chief Patron: Anderson

Item 96 #1h

| Agriculture and Forestry | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----|
| Department Of Agriculture And | \$0 | \$1,390,721 | GF |
| Consumer Services | 0.00 | 2.00 | FTE |

Language:

Page 79, line 30, strike "\$1,370,447" and insert "\$2,761,168".

Page 79, line 39, after "general fund." insert:

"However, beginning in fiscal year 2016, the Director, Department of Planning and Budget is directed to deposit all revenues generated pursuant to § 18.2-340.31 to the Office of Charitable and Regulatory Programs for use in regulating the programs. When the proposed biennial budget for fiscal years 2017 and 2018 is submitted to the General Assembly in December 2015, the Department of Planning and Budget is hereby directed to recognize all funds generated pursuant to § 18.2-340.31 as dedicated special revenue and to propose the appropriation of all such funds for the purpose for which they were imposed, with no amounts being transferred to the general fund for other purposes."

Explanation:

(This amendment would appropriate all revenues generated by charitable gaming activities to the VDACS Office of Charitable and Regulatory Programs for the oversight and inspection of gaming parlors. Also included is an increase in the maximum employment level of the Office of 2.00 positions, which would be used to hire additional inspectors to ensure the programs are run in a legal fashion.)

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Chief Patron: BaCote

Item 105 #1h

Co-Patron(s): Hester, James, McClellan, Plum, Rasoul,
Tyler

| Commerce and Trade | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 | |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|----|
| Department Of Housing And Community Development | \$2,550,000 | \$2,400,000 | GF |

Language:

Page 91, line 47, strike "\$12,423,354" and insert "\$14,973,354".

Page 91, line 47, strike "\$12,423,354" and insert "\$14,823,354".

Page 92, line 3, strike "\$11,900,000" and insert "\$14,150,000".

Page 92, line 4, strike "11,750,000" and insert "14,150,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment restores the funding levels for the Enterprise Zone Grant Program in the second year to a total of \$14.15 million each year to reduce the potential proration of benefits resulting from oversubscription to the program. When grants have to be reduced it reduces the reliability and attractiveness of the program as a community redevelopment tool. The restored funding amount reflects cuts imposed both in Chapter 2, 2014 Special Session 1, and actions proposed by the Governor in House Bill 1400 to comply with the provisions of the state agency cuts contained in Item 471.10. A companion amendment to that item reduces the Central Account reversion from the Department of Housing and Community Development.)

Chief Patron: BaCote

Item 105 #2h

Co-Patron(s): Hester, James, Plum, Rasoul, Tyler, Ward

Commerce and Trade

Department Of Housing And
Community Development

Language

Language:

Page 92, line 3, before "Out", insert "A."

Page 92, after line 12, insert:

"B. Out of the amounts in this item provided for real property improvement grants, up to \$80,000 in the second year shall be used for a review of the state Enterprise Zone Program. The objective is to find out how well the program works to encourage business development in zone areas above increases that would occur in those areas absent zone designation. In addition, the Department should assess what characteristics are most commonly associated with zone success. The evaluation should consider a wide variety of variables, including but not limited to: geographic location, proximity to markets, infrastructure, zone administration, other non-state incentives, and the effects of any proration of grant benefits. The Secretary of Commerce and Trade, in consultation with the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees, shall approve the final design of the evaluation and the entity selected to conduct the review."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs the use of up to \$80,000 of the funds provided for the real property improvement grants portion of the Enterprise Zone Grant program to evaluate the effectiveness of the program.)

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Chief Patron: BaCote

Item 471.10 #7h

Co-Patron(s): Hester, James, McClellan, Murphy, Plum,
Tyler

| Central Appropriations | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----|
| Central Appropriations | \$250,000 | \$400,000 | GF |

Language:

Page 441, line 19, strike "\$60,072,307" and insert "\$59,822,307".

Page 441, line 19, strike "\$90,459,489" and insert "\$90,059,489".

Page 442, strike line 44.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates a portion of savings identified by the Department of Housing and Community Development by eliminating the transfer of funding to the state agency reversion account pursuant to Chapter 3. This line item totals \$250,000 the first year and \$400,000 the second year and relates to their proposal to reduce funding for the Enterprise Zone Grant Program. A companion amendment to Item 105 increases funding for that program and also addresses a prior cut.)

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Chief Patron: Cline

Item 357 #9h

Natural Resources

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Department Of Conservation And
Recreation

\$0

\$51,260,425 GF

Language:

Page 319, line 35, strike "\$55,254,708" and insert "\$106,515,133".

Page 321 after line 19, insert:

"4. In addition to these amounts, \$51,260,425 in the second year from the general fund shall be deposited to the Water Quality Improvement Fund. Out of these amounts \$14,721,323 shall be made available for Technical Assistance for Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Districts and \$36,539,102 shall be for Agricultural Best Management Practices Cost-Share Assistance."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides full funding of the water quality improvement needs identified in the 2014 Chesapeake Bay and Virginia Waters Clean Up Plan for Agriculture Best Management Practices Cost Share and technical assistance funding required for the Commonwealth to meet its 2017 water quality goals.)

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Chief Patron: Cline

Item 358 #1h

Natural Resources

| | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 | |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| Department Of Conservation And Recreation | \$301,998 2.00 | \$141,998 2.00 | GF FTE |

Language:

Page 322, line 32, strike "\$59,920,064" and insert "\$60,222,062".

Page 322, line 32, strike "\$59,862,440" and insert "\$60,004,438".

Page 323, after line 35, insert:

"F. Out of the amount for State Park Management and Operations, \$301,998 the first year and \$141,998 the second year from the general fund and two positions are provided to the Department of Conservation and Recreation for the pre-acquisition and transition costs related to the transfer of the privately owned Natural Bridge Park to the Department for operation as a state park on June 15, 2016."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides two positions and funding for required maintenance and administrative support, supplies, and equipment needed for the pre-acquisition and transition costs associated to the transfer of the 1,531 acre Natural Bridge Park to the Department of Conservation and Recreation on June 15, 2016.)

Chief Patron: Davis

Item 3-5.20 #4h

Adjustments and Modifications to Tax Collections

Liveable Homes Tax Credit

Language

Language:

Page 517, after line 43, insert:

"§ 3-5.20 TAX CREDIT; PRINCIPAL PAID ON BUSINESS LOANS

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2015, an eligible business shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed pursuant to § 58.1-320 in an amount equal to the lesser of (i) the product of .0575 and 75 percent of the principal paid on business loans by the eligible business during the taxable year, but not to exceed an aggregate of \$3,500 for the year, or (ii) the tax imposed pursuant to § 58.1-320 for the taxable year.

A. Credits granted to a partnership, limited liability company, or electing small business corporation (S corporation) shall be allocated to the individual partners, members, or shareholders, respectively, in proportion to their ownership or interest in such business entities.

B. The Tax Commissioner shall develop guidelines implementing the provisions of this section. Such guidelines shall be exempt from the provisions of the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.)."

Explanation:

(This amendment establishes a new individual income tax credit for the amount of principal paid by an eligible new business on a loan. The credit could not exceed \$3,500 per individual or the amount of tax imposed for the year. This language mirrors House Bill 2225 as introduced and is estimated by the patron to cost \$120,000 each year.)

Chief Patron: Greason

Item 85 #1h

Agriculture and Forestry

Secretary Of Agriculture And
Forestry

Language

Language:

Page 75, after line 5, insert:

"The Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry, in conjunction with the Secretary of Health and Human Resources, shall convene representatives of all relevant state and local agencies, including but not limited to the Departments of Health, Health Professions, Agriculture and Consumer Services, Game and Inland Fisheries, and Forestry, as well as medical professionals and representatives of organizations of affected citizens to evaluate the following:

A. Identification of areas within the Commonwealth to be used as first sites for implementation of "point of disease" prevention strategies, including USDA-approved vaccines. These areas shall be selected based on those with the highest prevalence of Lyme disease;

B. Determine estimated costs of implementing a "point of disease" prevention program in the identified areas of the Commonwealth; and

C. Identify sources of revenue to pay for such a program, including potential federal grants, local funding, private foundations and state sources.

The Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry shall report his findings to the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees by October 1, 2015."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs the Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry to convene a task force to identify high areas of Lyme disease concentration, determine costs of implementing a prevention program and how those costs could be covered.)

Chief Patron: Greason

Item 419 #2h

Co-Patron(s): Sickles

Technology

Innovation And Entrepreneurship
Investment Authority

Language

Language:

Page 365, after line 35, insert:

"1. From the amounts provided in this paragraph for the Commonwealth Growth Accelerator Program and provided for the Commonwealth Research Commercialization Fund in Item 101 of this Act, the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Investment Authority is authorized to utilize up to \$2,000,000 in the second year to support the operations of "MACH-37" if the private funding campaign undertaken to secure \$3,000,000 in private capitalization has not fulfilled its funding goal by July 1, 2015."

Page 365, line 36, strike "1." and insert "2."

Page 365, line 38, strike "2." and insert "3."

Explanation:

(This language amendment would allow the Center for Innovative Technology to use up to \$2.0 million of existing funding provided for the Commonwealth Research and Commercialization Fund to support MACH 37 operations if the private funding campaign fails to secure its entire \$3.0 million requirement by July 1, 2015. The fund raising campaign was delayed by one year.)

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Chief Patron: Helsel

Item 468 #5h

Central Appropriations
Central Appropriations

FY 14-15
\$0

FY 15-16
\$250,000 GF

Language:

Page 433, line 27, strike "\$10,283,298" and insert "\$10,533,298".

Page 435, after line 39, insert:

"4. In addition to the amounts referenced in paragraph G.1. of this item, \$250,000 in the second year is appropriated from the Federal Action Contingency Trust (FACT) Fund to assist in acquiring privately owned parcels of property in the Langley Airforce Base Clear Zone and Accident Potential Zones. These amounts must be matched on a dollar-for-dollar basis from non-state funding sources."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$250,000 to the FACT Fund to be used to purchase property in the Langley Air Force Base Clear Zone and Accident Potential Zones with matching funds to be generated from non-state sources.)

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Chief Patron: Hodges

Item 6 #2h

| Legislative Department | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Division Of Legislative Services | \$0 | \$264,462 NGF |

Language:

Page 12, line 11, strike "\$6,187,288" and insert "\$6,451,750".

Page 12, after line 28, insert:

"E. Included in these amounts is \$264,462 the first year from dedicated special revenue to implement the recommendations of the Chesapeake Bay Restoration Fund Advisory Committee."

Explanation:

(This amendment would transfer dedicated special fund revenue from the Chesapeake Bay Restoration Fund in order to provide funding for projects recommended by the Chesapeake Bay Restoration Fund Advisory Committee.)

Chief Patron: Howell, William

Item 3-5.20 #5h

Adjustments and Modifications to Tax Collections

Liveable Homes Tax Credit

Language

Language:

Page 517, after line 43, insert:

"§ 3-5.20 ADMISSIONS TAX

Notwithstanding the provisions of § 58.1-3818.02, Code of Virginia, or any other provision of law, subject to the execution of a memorandum of understanding between an entertainment venue and the County of Stafford, Stafford County is authorized to impose a tax on admissions to an entertainment venue located in the county that (i) is licensed to do business in the county for the first time on or after July 1, 2015, and (ii) requires at last 75 acres of land for its operations, and (iii) such land is purchased or leased by the entertainment venue owner on or after June 1, 2015. The tax shall not exceed 10 percent of the amount of charge for admission to any such venue. The provisions of this section shall expire on July 1, 2019 if no entertainment venue exists in Stafford County upon which the tax authorized is imposed."

Explanation:

(This amendment authorizes the County of Stafford to impose an admissions tax on any new entertainment venue commencing operations after July 1, 2015 on at least 75 acres of property. The tax may not exceed 10% of the admissions charge.)

Chief Patron: James

Item 120 #1h

Commerce and Trade

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Virginia Economic Development
Partnership

\$0

\$1,000,000 GF

Language:

Page 98, line 29, strike "\$19,376,464" and insert "\$20,376,464".

Page 100, after line 5, insert:

"P. Out of this appropriation, \$1,000,000 the second year from the general fund shall be provided to the Brownfield Restoration and Economic Redevelopment Fund to be utilized pursuant to § 10.1-1237, Code of Virginia."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding for the Brownfield Restoration Fund, which last received funding in fiscal year 2012. The \$1.0 million provided in fiscal year 2012 was used to jump start 22 redevelopment projects across the state. There is strong interest by developers in additional monies to leverage new brownfield cleanup projects. The Brownfields/Land Renewal Program coordinated through the VEDP and the Department of Environmental Quality helps facilitate the assessment, cleanup, sale and reuse of real property throughout the Commonwealth that might otherwise remain blighted and unused. Developers often steer clear of these types of properties because of their perceived risk and potential cost. The older central cities have a significant number of these sites that if redeveloped would bring much needed jobs, and increased property values and tax revenue to the central cities. For a relatively small amount of public funding, there could be substantial private sector capital reinvestment in locations that already have the utilities and infrastructure in place, thus reducing sprawl and contributing to a better environment.)

Chief Patron: James

Item 358 #4h

Natural Resources

| | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|----|
| Department Of Conservation And Recreation | \$29,194,324 | \$16,100,000 | GF |

Language:

Page 322, line 32, strike "\$59,920,064" and insert "\$89,114,388".

Page 322, line 32, strike "\$59,862,440" and insert "\$75,962,440".

Page 323, after line 35, insert:

"F. 1. Including in the amounts for Preservation of Open Space Lands is \$29,194,324 in the first year and \$16,100,000 in the second year from the general fund as required pursuant to Chapter 798, 2013 Session of the General Assembly.

2. This amount meets the provisions of § 2.2-1509.4, Code of Virginia, and shall be allocated as follows:

- a. 80 percent shall be provided to the Virginia Land Conservation Fund
- b. 10 percent shall be transferred to the Office of Farmland Preservation in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and
- c. 10 percent shall be transferred to the Civil War Sites Preservation Fund in the Department of Historic Resources."

Explanation:

(This amendment fully implements that requirements of Chapter 798 of the 2013 General Assembly Session.)

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Chief Patron: Joannou

Item 126 #2h

Commerce and Trade

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Virginia Tourism Authority

\$25,000

\$25,000 GF

Language:

Page 101, line 11, strike "\$20,225,218" and insert "\$20,250,218".

Page 101, line 12, strike "\$20,550,560" and insert "\$20,575,560".

Page 102, line 5, after "entity" insert:

"and \$25,000 each year for the operations of a railroad museum in the City of Portsmouth".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$25,000 each year for a new tourism initiative to support the operations of a railroad museum in the City of Portsmouth from the Virginia Tourism Authority's funding.)

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Chief Patron: Kilgore

Item 101 #2h

Commerce and Trade

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Economic Development Incentive
Payments

\$0

\$1,600,000 GF

Language:

Page 84, line 24, strike "\$79,113,444" and insert "\$80,713,444".

Page 85, line 41, strike the second "\$2,400,000" and insert "\$4,000,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment increases funding for the Motion Picture Opportunity Fund by \$1.6 million in the second year to provide sufficient funding to attract and incentivize film production in Virginia.)

Chief Patron: Kilgore

Item 104 #3h

Co-Patron(s): Campbell, Morefield, O'Quinn, Pillion

| Commerce and Trade | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| Department Of Housing And Community Development | \$850,000 | \$0 GF |

Language:

Page 89, line 46, strike "\$39,425,438" and insert "\$40,275,438".

Page 91, after line 46, insert:

- "K.1. Out of the amounts in this item, \$850,000 the first year from the general fund shall be provided for the Southwest Virginia Cultural Heritage Foundation.
2. The foundation shall report to the Governor and the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance on the expenditures of the foundation and its ongoing efforts to generate revenues sufficient to sustain operations by September 1 of each year."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$850,000 from the general fund in the first year for support of regional economic development activities of the Southwest Virginia Cultural Heritage Foundation. The Foundation is a state entity created to leverage significant cultural and natural heritage assets of the nineteen counties and four cities within Southwest Virginia for economic development purposes. These amounts were included in House Bill 30 as introduced to the 2014 Session but were removed in Chapter 2, 2014 Special Session 1 as part of the budget reduction strategies.)

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Chief Patron: Kilgore

Item 120 #2h

Commerce and Trade

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Virginia Economic Development
Partnership

\$0

(\$1,200,000) GF

Language:

Page 98, line 29, strike "\$19,376,464" and insert "\$18,176,464".

Page 99, line 26, after "H." strike "1."

Page 99, strike lines 29 through 32.

Explanation:

(This amendment removes a proposed appropriation for the Virginia Coalfield Economic Development Authority that is proposed to help hold the Authority harmless from any reduction in funding that would occur if a companion proposal to cap the Coalfield Employment Tax Credit were to be adopted. A companion amendment to Item 3-5.16 eliminates the proposed change to that tax credit. The intent is that if the change were to occur, this funding would be reinstated.)

Chief Patron: Kilgore

Item 358 #3h

| Natural Resources | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 | |
|---|-----------------|----------------------|-----------|
| Department Of Conservation And Recreation | \$0 0.00 | \$2,500,000 19.00 | GF FTE |

Language:

Page 322, line 32, strike "\$59,862,440" and insert "\$62,362,440".

Page 323, after line 35, insert:

"F. Included in this appropriation is \$2,500,000 the second year from the general fund and 19 positions for the Natural Heritage Program to manage the Commonwealth's Natural Area Preserve System."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$2,500,000 in the second year from the general fund and 19 positions to address past program cuts and emergency needs of the Natural Heritage Program in order to manage the Commonwealth's Natural Area Preserve System.)

Chief Patron: Kilgore

Item 3-5.16 #1h

Co-Patron(s): O'Quinn, Pillion

Adjustments and Modifications to Tax Collections

Coalfield Employment Enhancement Tax Credit

Language

Language:

Page 517, strike lines 17 through 21.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates a proposal contained in House Bill 1400 that would cap the Coalfield Employment Enhancement Tax Credit at \$500,000 per return. The "Front Page" revenues contained in the budget assumed reduced costs from the credit of \$14.7 million based on this proposal. That amount would be offset by other budgetary savings to support this change. A companion amendment to Item 120 eliminates a proposed appropriation of \$1.2 million to the Coalfield Economic Development Authority that was intended to offset lost revenues to that Authority.)

Chief Patron: Knight

Item 3-1.01 #1h

Co-Patron(s): Landes

Transfers

Interfund Transfers

Language

Language:

Page 499, strike lines 20 and 21.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates actions included in Chapter 2, 2014 Session of the General Assembly, which transferred a total of \$75,637 in the first year and \$65,234 in the second year from Commodity Boards funded with self-assessments within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to the general fund to support a portion of the indirect costs associated with expenses incurred by central service agencies.)

Chief Patron: Landes

Item 89 #1h

Agriculture and Forestry

Department Of Agriculture And
Consumer Services

Language

Language:

Page 77, line 28, after "A." strike "1."

Page 77, strike lines 34 through 35.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates language stipulating the portion of the Agriculture and Forestries Development Fund that can be used for local grants. Such grants will still be authorized but the language specifying the portion of total funding dedicated to that purpose is removed in an effort to increase flexibility to respond to program requests.)

Chief Patron: Landes

Item 120 #5h

| Commerce and Trade | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|----|
| Virginia Economic Development Partnership | \$0 | \$250,000 | GF |

Language:

Page 98, line 29, strike "\$19,376,464" and insert "\$19,626,464".

Page 100, after line 5, insert:

"P. Out of the amounts for Economic Development Services shall be provided \$250,000 the second year from the general fund to support the George Mason University Enterprise Center's Innovation Commercialization Assistance Program contract with SHINE Systems and Technologies to continue engaging the Commonwealth's 29 Virginia Small Business Development Centers Network."

Explanation:

(This amendment proposes an appropriation to the VEDP of \$250,000 from the general fund in the second year to provide support for an ongoing contract the George Mason Enterprise Center has with SHINE Systems and Technologies which helps supports the efforts of Virginia's statewide network of 29 Small Business Development Centers. To date, this program has helped emerging Virginia businesses, entrepreneurs, and university faculty commercialize innovative technologies by providing a customized roadmap with tangible steps and has directed subject matter expert counseling. Over 24 months the program created 17 jobs and led to the retention of 46 jobs, secured \$3.7 million in funding for these companies, and increased sales at those firms by \$1.2 million.)

Chief Patron: Landes

Item 126 #1h

Commerce and Trade

FY 14-15

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Virginia Tourism Authority

\$313,778

\$627,556 GF

Language:

Page 101, line 11, strike "\$20,225,218" and insert "\$20,538,996".

Page 101, line 12, strike "\$20,550,560" and insert "\$21,178,116".

Page 102, line 22, unstrike "\$405,012" and strike "\$265,006".

Page 102, line 23, unstrike "\$405,012" and strike "\$200,000".

Page 102, line 26, unstrike "\$130,012" and strike "\$65,006"

Page 102, line 26, unstrike "and \$130,102 in the second year"

Page 102, line 28, unstrike "\$390,036" and strike "\$195,018"

Page 102, line 29, unstrike "and \$390,036 in the"

Page 102, line 30, unstrike "second year"

Page 102, line 31, unstrike "," and strike "and"

Page 102, line 32, after "wineries" unstrike the remainder of the line.

Page 102, unstrike line 33.

Page 102, line 34, unstrike "\$497,544" and strike "\$248,772"

Page 102, line 35, unstrike "and \$497,544 the second year"

Page 102, line 39, unstrike "\$1,492,632" and strike "\$746,316 the first year".

Explanation:

(This amendment restores the proposed 50 percent reduction in the first year, and fully eliminates in the second year, of state support for the "See Virginia First" program which leverages state funds on a minimum of 3:1 basis in cooperation with the Virginia Association of Broadcasters. A companion amendment to Item 471.10, the state agency reversion account established pursuant to Chapter 3, removes an assumed general fund reduction to the agency mirroring the reductions to program.)

Chief Patron: Landes

Item 357 #6h

| Natural Resources | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|----|
| Department Of Conservation And Recreation | \$0 | \$85,000 | GF |

Language:

Page 319, line 35, strike "\$55,254,708" and insert "\$55,339,708".

Page 322, after line 30, insert:

"N. Out of the amounts provided for this item, \$85,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to match a federal grant from the U.S. Geological Survey to sample and gather data necessary to compute the annual loads of nitrogen, phosphorus, and sediment from two rivers draining Augusta County and to generate the requisite data for these annual loads of nitrogen, phosphorus, and sediment for use in the Chesapeake Bay Model, and to more accurately compile this data for remediation purposes."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides general fund dollars to the Department of Conservation and Recreation to match a U.S. Geological Survey grant sampling and gathering data on nitrogen, phosphorus, and sediment loadings in two rivers draining Augusta County. The data produced from this effort will be used to generate requisite data for use in the Chesapeake Bay Model and to determine what subsequent remediation may be necessary.)

Request to Amend House Bill 1400, as Introduced

Chief Patron: Landes

Item 471.10 #9h

Central Appropriations
Central Appropriations

FY 14-15
\$313,778

FY 15-16
\$627,556 GF

Language:

Page 441, line 19, strike "\$60,072,307" and insert "\$59,758,529".

Page 441, line 19, strike "\$90,459,489" and insert "\$89,831,933".

Page 443, strike lines 29 and 30.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates a portion of savings identified by the Virginia Tourism Authority by eliminating the transfer of funding to the state agency reversion account pursuant to Chapter 3. This line item totals \$941,334 over the biennium and relates to funding for the See Virginia First Program. A companion amendment to Item 126 restores the language setting out the funding levels for the program.)

Chief Patron: LeMunyon

Item 101 #3h

Commerce and Trade

| | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|----|
| Economic Development Incentive Payments | (\$9,916,000) | (\$3,250,000) | GF |

Language:

Page 84, line 24, strike "\$62,076,436" and insert "\$52,160,436".

Page 84, line 24, strike "\$79,113,444" and insert "\$75,863,444".

Page 84, line 32, unstrike the first "\$10,000,000" and strike "\$19,916,000".

Page 84, line 33, strike "20,750,000" and insert "\$17,500,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment reduces the proposed increase in funding for the Governor's Development Opportunity Fund but still provides for an increase of \$7.5 million in the second year, increases total biennial funding for the program from \$20.0 million to \$27.5 million. The amounts reduced are redirected to other core priorities.)

Request to Amend House Bill 1400, as Introduced

Chief Patron: LeMunyon

Item 419 #1h

| Technology | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| Innovation And Entrepreneurship Investment Authority | \$2,500,000 | \$0 GF |

Language:

Page 364, line 12, strike "\$8,316,873" and insert "\$10,816,873".

Page 365, line 30, unstrike "From the amounts appropriated in this Item" and strike "a total".

Page 365, line 31, unstrike "from the general fund".

Page 365, strike lines 36 through 40.

Page 365, line 41, unstrike "Out of the appropriation for this Item".

Page 365, line 41. strike "The Center for Innovative Technology is authorized".

Page 365, line 42, strike "to use up to".

Page 365, line 42, strike "from unobligated balances existing as of June 30, 2014".

Page 365, line 43, unstrike "and \$500,000 the second year from the general fund is provided".

Explanation:

(This amendment restores general fund support for the Growth Accelerator Program and for the modeling and simulation program efforts at CIT by \$2.5 million in the first year. House Bill 1400 as introduced had assumed these programs would be supported using prior year fund balances and reduced the general fund amounts to help achieve the state agency savings required by Item 471.10 pursuant to Chapter 3, Special Session 1 of the 2015 General Assembly. A companion amendment eliminates the proposed reversions.)

Request to Amend House Bill 1400, as Introduced

Chief Patron: LeMunyon

Item 471.10 #11h

Central Appropriations
Central Appropriations

FY 14-15
\$2,500,000

FY 15-16
\$0 GF

Language:

Page 441, line 19, strike "\$60,072,307" and insert "\$57,572,307".

Page 452, strike lines 25 and 26.

Page 452, strike lines 34 and 35.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates the major portions of savings identified at the Center for Innovative Technology by eliminating the transfer of funding to the state agency reversion account pursuant to Chapter 3. The two subcomponents of this action total \$2,500,000 the first year and relate to the proposal to reduce general fund appropriations for the Growth Accelerator Program by \$2.0 million and for the modeling and simulation program by \$500,000 and instead use prior year fund balances for these activities. A companion amendment to Item 419 increases funding for these programs and thus frees up the unexpended balances for other uses within the Authority.)

Request to Amend House Bill 1400, as Introduced

Chief Patron: Lingamfelter

Item 357 #5h

Natural Resources

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Department Of Conservation And
Recreation

\$6,500

\$6,500 GF

Language:

Page 319, line 35, strike "\$55,619,325" and insert "\$55,625,825".

Page 319, line 35, strike "\$55,254,708" and insert "\$55,261,208".

Page 321, line 46, strike "\$8,500" and "\$8,500", and insert "\$15,000" and "\$15,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment returns the state share of funding for the Rappahannock River Basin Commission to match the local contribution on a dollar-to-dollar basis per the Code of Virginia § 62.1-69.33)

Chief Patron: Lingamfelter

Item 357 #10h

Natural Resources

Department Of Conservation And
Recreation

Language

Language:

Page 321, after line 36, insert:

"4. From the amounts appropriated for Agricultural Best Management Practices Cost-Share Assistance, the Department of Conservation and Recreation shall distribute funds for best management practices that most efficiently meet the water quality goals identified in the Chesapeake Bay and Virginia Waters Cleanup Plan."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs the Department of Conservation and Recreation to use the funds appropriated for Agricultural Best Management Practices Cost-Share Assistance for those practices that most efficiently meet the water quality goals of the 2014 Chesapeake Bay and Virginia Waters Cleanup Plan.)

Chief Patron: Lopez

Item 101 #1h

Commerce and Trade

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Economic Development Incentive
Payments

\$0

(\$250,000) GF

Language:

Page 84, line 24, strike "\$79,113,444" and insert "\$78,863,444".

Page 85, line 41, strike the second "\$2,400,000" and insert "\$2,150,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment reduces funding for the Motion Picture Opportunity Fund by \$250,000 in the second year to free up resources to support the restoration of a like amount of support for Civil War Site Preservation that was reduced pursuant to the savings required by Chapter 3, 2014 Special Session 1. Companion amendments to Item 471.10 and Item 369 restore the funding to the Department of Historic Resources.)

Chief Patron: Lopez

Item 103 #1h

| | | | |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|----|
| Commerce and Trade | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 | |
| Department Of Housing And Community Development | \$0 | \$8,000,000 | GF |

Language:

Page 88, line 35, strike "\$214,026,376" and insert "\$222,026,376".

Page 89, line 34, after "F." insert:

"1. Out of the amounts in this item, \$8,000,000 in the second year is included from deposits to the Virginia Housing Trust Fund made pursuant to the provisions of House Bill 1900, 2015 Session of the General Assembly.

2."

Explanation:

(This amendment increases funding to the Housing Trust Fund to reflect revenues that would be transferred to this Fund pursuant to the provisions of House Bill 1900, 2015 Session of the General Assembly. That legislation dedicates one percent of the annual recordation tax revenues to the Virginia Housing Trust Fund if total collections exceed \$200.0 million. The total rate assessed is \$0.25 per \$100 value. It is estimated that this would generate \$8.0 million in fiscal year 2016. A companion amendment to Item 3-5.20 produces an equal amount of savings by eliminating the differential sales tax and \$2,000 cap applied to watercraft.)

Chief Patron: Lopez

Item 357 #7h

Natural Resources

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Department Of Conservation And
Recreation

\$0

\$10,696,471 GF

Language:

Page 319, line 35, strike "\$55,254,708" and insert "\$65,951,179".

Page 321, line 1, after "B," insert "and \$10,696,471 from the general fund,".

Page 321, line 7, strike "\$7,385,417" and insert "\$18,081,888".

Page 321, line 12, strike "\$7,385,417" and insert "\$18,081,888".

Page 321, line 13, strike "\$643,154" and insert "\$1,582,551".

Page 321, line 14, strike "\$6,742,263" and insert "\$16,499,337".

Page 321, line 15, strike "\$4,045,358" and insert "\$9,899,603".

Page 321, line 17, strike "\$2,696,905" and insert \$6,599,734".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides an additional \$10.7 million in general funding in fiscal year 2016 for the Agricultural BMP Cost Share and Technical Assistance Programs of the Soil and Water Conservation Districts. A companion amendment to Item 3-5.20 would provide \$10,000,000 in additional general fund revenue in the second year by eliminating net operating loss deductions for any individual or pass-through entity filing a tax return in the Commonwealth on or after January 1, 2015.)

Request to Amend House Bill 1400, as Introduced

Chief Patron: Lopez

Item 369 #1h

Natural Resources

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Department Of Historic Resources

\$0

\$250,000 GF

Language:

Page 330, line 4, strike "\$6,524,575" and insert "\$6,774,575".

Page 330, line 7, strike "\$4,480,236" and insert "\$4,730,236".

Page 331, line 15, strike "\$750,000" and insert "\$1,000,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment restores \$250,000 in the second year from the general fund that was cut for Civil War Historic Site Preservation in Item 471.10. A companion amendment to Item 471.10 eliminates the reversion from DHR to the general fund. A third amendment reduces the funding for the Motion Picture Opportunity Fund by a like amount to provide the funding required to make this restoration within a balanced budget.)

Request to Amend House Bill 1400, as Introduced

Chief Patron: Lopez

Item 471.10 #8h

Central Appropriations

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Central Appropriations

\$0

\$250,000 GF

Language:

Page 441, line 19, strike "\$90,459,489" and insert "\$90,209,489".

Page 450, strike lines 14 and 15.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates a portion of savings identified by the Department of Historic Resources by eliminating the transfer of funding to the state agency reversion account pursuant to Chapter 3. This line item totals \$250,000 the second year and relates to their proposal to reduce funding for Civil War Site Preservation. A companion amendment to Item 363 increases funding for that program and a third amendment produces an equal amount of savings by reducing funding in Item 101 for the Motion Picture Opportunity Fund.)

Chief Patron: Lopez

Item 3-5.20 #1h

Adjustments and Modifications to Tax Collections

Eliminate Net Operating Loss Carryback

Language

Language:

Page 517, after line 43, insert:

"§ 3-5.20 DEDUCTION FOR NET OPERATING LOSS CARRYBACK

Notwithstanding § 58.1-301 and § 58.1-394.1, Code of Virginia, or any other provision of law, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2015, no deduction shall be authorized for the carryback of net operating losses for any individual or pass through entity filing a tax return in the Commonwealth."

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates the net operating loss carryback provision that allows companies with an unprofitable year to apply losses to their prior year tax returns and generate refunds. This practice is eliminated to generate additional revenue to be used for core government services, and is estimated at \$10.0 million in the second year. A companion amendment to Item 357 would provide \$10,696,471 in the second year from the general fund to level-fund Agricultural BMP Cost Share and Technical Assistance Programs of the Soil and Water Conservation Districts.)

Chief Patron: Lopez

Item 3-5.20 #2h

Adjustments and Modifications to Tax Collections

Eliminate Net Operating Loss Carryback

Language

Language:

Page 517, after line 43, insert:

"§ 3-5.20 SALES TAX ON WATERCRAFT

Notwithstanding § 58.1-1402, Code of Virginia, or any other provision of law, the sales tax rate applied to the sale of every watercraft sold in this Commonwealth, upon the use in this Commonwealth of any watercraft and upon the gross receipts from the lease, charter or other use of any watercraft by a registered dealer in this Commonwealth. The amount of the tax to be collected shall be determined by applying the following rate against the sale price, market value or gross receipts:

1. The sale price of each watercraft sold in the Commonwealth shall be taxed at the rate set out in § 58.1-603.
2. 4.3 percent of the sale price of each watercraft not sold in the Commonwealth but required to be titled in the Commonwealth. However, if the watercraft is first required to be titled in the Commonwealth six months or more after its acquisition, the tax shall be two percent of the market value of such watercraft at the time it is titled.
3. 4.3 percent of the gross receipts from the lease, charter or other use of any watercraft by a registered dealer.

No tax levied under subdivisions 1 and 2 of this section shall have no maximum cap. However, a transaction taxed under subdivision 1 shall not be taxed under subdivision 2 or 3, nor shall the same transaction be taxed more than once under either subdivision 1, 2 or 3. Use of any watercraft by a registered dealer resulting in taxation under subdivision 3 shall not exempt any subsequent sale or use of such watercraft from being taxed under subdivision 1 or 2 if applicable."

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates the differential sales tax rate applied to watercraft by eliminating the 2.3% reduction in the state sales tax rate compared to the rate applied to other goods. By eliminating both the differential rate and the \$2,000 cap, this would raise an additional \$8.0 million in revenue to use for other core services in government. A companion amendment to Item 103 provides for the deposit of an equal amount to the Virginia Housing Trust Fund.)

Chief Patron: Minchew

Item 358 #2h

Natural Resources

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Department Of Conservation And
Recreation

\$50,000

\$50,000 GF

Language:

Page 322, line 32, strike "\$59,920,064" and insert "\$59,970,064".

Page 322, line 32, strike "\$59,862,440" and insert "\$59,912,440".

Page 323, after line 35, insert:

"F. Included in the appropriated amounts are \$50,000 in the first and second years from the general fund to provide park facility planning and initial staffing for the new state park to be established in Loudoun County."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides appropriations of \$50,000 in the first and second year from the general fund to provide park facility planning and initial staffing for the new 600-acre state park site in Loudoun County.)

Chief Patron: O'Bannon

Item 94 #1h

Agriculture and Forestry

Department Of Agriculture And
Consumer Services

Language

Language:

Page 78, line 49, unstrike "not to exceed \$40".

Page 78, line 50, strike "All establishments subject to this".

Page 79, strike lines 1 through 3.

Page 79, line 4, strike "operations shall be subject to the \$40 fee."

Page 79, line 4, unstrike "However, any such establishment that is subject to".

Page 79, unstrike lines 5 through 8.

Explanation:

(This amendment removes language to change the VDACS non-restaurant food inspection fee from a \$40.00 per establishment fee, to a variable fee ranging from \$40.00 to \$375.00 based on the square footage of the establishment. A companion amendment to Item 471.10, the state agency reversion account established pursuant to Chapter 3, removes an assumed general fund reduction to the agency of \$400,000 the second year that would otherwise be backfilled by the increased fee revenues.)

Request to Amend House Bill 1400, as Introduced

Chief Patron: O'Bannon

Item 471.10 #4h

Central Appropriations

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Central Appropriations

\$0

\$400,000 GF

Language:

Page 441, line 19, strike "\$90,459,489" and insert "\$90,059,489".

Page 442, strike line 22.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates a portion of savings identified by VDACS by eliminating the transfer of funding to the state agency reversion account pursuant to Chapter 3. This line item totals \$400,000 the second year and relates to their proposal to supplant \$400,000 of general fund support for the food establishment inspection program with a variable instead of fixed rate inspection fee. A companion amendment to Item 94 removes authorization for changes to the fee.)

Request to Amend House Bill 1400, as Introduced

Chief Patron: O'Bannon

Item 471.10 #10h

Central Appropriations
Central Appropriations

FY 14-15
\$0

FY 15-16
\$3,783,241 GF

Language:

Page 441, line 19, strike "\$90,459,489" and insert "\$86,676,248".

Page 447, strike lines 39 and 40.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates a savings identified by the Virginia Department of Health by eliminating the transfer of funding to the state agency reversion account pursuant to Chapter 3. This line item totals \$3,783,241 the second year and relates to the agency proposal to supplant general fund support for the restaurant inspection with a fee increase for the annual inspection from \$40.00 to \$285.00. A companion amendment to Item 290 removes authorization for the fee.)

Request to Amend House Bill 1400, as Introduced

Chief Patron: O'Quinn

Item 120 #3h

Commerce and Trade

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Virginia Economic Development
Partnership

\$0

(\$1,200,000) GF

Language:

Page 98, line 29, strike "\$19,376,464" and insert "\$18,176,464".

Page 99, line 27, after "by" insert:

"§ 58.1-439.2, Code of Virginia, and by".

Page 99, line 28, after "credit" strike the remainder of the line and insert:

"as provided in § 58.1-439.2, Code of Virginia."

Explanation:

(This amendment makes technical corrections to language relating to the usage of funds provided to the Virginia Coalfield Economic Development Authority.)

Chief Patron: Peace

Item 88 #1h

Co-Patron(s): Fowler, Landes

Agriculture and Forestry

Department Of Agriculture And
Consumer Services

Language

Language:

Page 77, unstrike lines 3 through 6.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates a proposal to remove state funding totaling \$32,900 each year to support 4-H and Future Farmers of America scholarships and participation in the State Fair of Virginia. A companion amendment to Item 471.10 eliminates the transfer of the associated funding to the central reversion account containing the state agency savings required by Chapter 3.)

Request to Amend House Bill 1400, as Introduced

Chief Patron: Peace

Item 471.10 #2h

Central Appropriations

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Central Appropriations

\$32,900

\$32,900 GF

Language:

Page 441, line 19, strike "\$60,072,307" and insert "\$60,039,407".

Page 441, line 19, strike "\$90,459,489" and insert "\$90,426,589".

Page 442, strike line 20.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates a portion of savings identified by VDACS by eliminating the transfer of funding to the state agency reversion account pursuant to Chapter 3. This line item totals \$32,900 each year and relates to funding for the State Fair of Virginia to support 4-H and Future Farmer's of America youth scholarship programs.)

Chief Patron: Poindexter

Item 93 #1h

Agriculture and Forestry

Department Of Agriculture And
Consumer Services

Language

Language:

Page 78, line 20, strike "A."

Page 78, strike lines 35 and 36.

Explanation:

(This amendment removes language authorizing the imposition of a \$10.00 per device weights and measures inspection fee. A companion amendment to Item 471.10 removes assumed savings of \$500,000 in the second year that had been assumed to be generated by this action as part of the state agency savings required by Chapter 3. An offsetting general fund reduction of \$500,000 general fund for this program is restored by eliminating the shift to the reversion account.)

Request to Amend House Bill 1400, as Introduced

Chief Patron: Poindexter

Item 471.10 #3h

Central Appropriations

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Central Appropriations

\$0

\$500,000 GF

Language:

Page 441, line 19; strike "\$90,459,489" and insert "\$89,959,489".

Page 442, strike line 22.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates a portion of savings identified by VDACS by eliminating the transfer of funding to the state agency reversion account pursuant to Chapter 3. This line item totals \$500,000 the second year and relates to their proposal to supplant \$500,000 of general fund support for the weights and measures program with a new inspection fee. A companion amendment to Item 93 removes authorization for the fee.)

Request to Amend House Bill 1400, as Introduced

Chief Patron: Poindexter

Item 471.10 #5h

Co-Patron(s): Landes

Central Appropriations

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Central Appropriations

\$0

\$190,000 GF

Language:

Page 441, line 19, strike "\$90,459,489" and insert "\$90,269,489".

Page 442, strike line 21.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates a portion of savings identified by VDACS by eliminating the transfer of funding to the state agency reversion account pursuant to Chapter 3. This line item totals \$190,000 the second year and relates to their proposal to eliminated support for the coyote control program in the second year. Removing this transfer would restore the program funding. No changes were made to reflect the reduction within the VDACS budget.)

Chief Patron: Poindexter

Item 3-5.07 #1h

Co-Patron(s): O'Bannon

Adjustments and Modifications to Tax Collections

Accelerated Sales Tax

Language

Language:

Page 514, line 25, unstrike "\$26,000,000" and strike "\$2,500,000".

Page 514, unstrike lines 27 through 33.

Explanation:

(This amendment restores the threshold levels determining who is required to expedite their payment of June sales tax collections to the levels specified in Chapter 3, Special Session 1, 2014 General Assembly. It also adds language regarding the legislature's intent to phase-out this practice no later than June, 2021.)

Chief Patron: Preston

Item 104 #1h

Commerce and Trade

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Department Of Housing And
Community Development

\$0

\$3,500,000 GF

Language:

Page 89, line 47, strike "\$40,425,438" and insert "\$43,925,438".

Page 91, line 36, strike the second "\$2,000,000" and insert "\$5,500,000".

Page 91, line 38, after "revitalization." insert:

"Out of the amounts in this item, \$3,500,000 the second year from the general fund shall be deposited to the Virginia Removal or Rehabilitation of Derelict Structures Fund to support industrial site revitalization in Petersburg at its main interstate entranceway."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$3.5 million from the general fund in fiscal year 2016 for blight removal to revitalize Petersburg's main interstate entranceway. Petersburg is located at the crossroads of I-95, I-85, Route 1, and Route 460. The exit 52 (southbound 95) and exit 68 (northbound I-95/85) area is in need of a complete revitalization effort. Old hotels have been vacant for years and are now blighted properties. The City has enforced all laws available to force owners to repair or remove these blighted and dangerous structures. The only option remaining is for the City to purchase the properties and take down the blighted structures.)

Request to Amend House Bill 1400, as Introduced

Chief Patron: Preston

Item 363 #1h

Natural Resources

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Department Of Environmental
Quality

\$0

\$500,000 GF

Language:

Page 326, line 4, strike "\$62,213,677" and insert "\$62,713,677".

Page 328, after line 3, insert:

"J. Included in the appropriation for this item is \$500,000 the second year from the general fund for the purchase of wetlands mitigation credits in the Appomattox River basin through the Office of Wetlands and Stream Protection at the Department of Environmental Quality."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$500,000 the second year from the general fund for the purchase of wetland credits for the Appomattox River basin.)

Request to Amend House Bill 1400, as Introduced

Chief Patron: Ransone

Item 357 #4h

Co-Patron(s): Hodges, Lingamfelter

| Natural Resources | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----|
| Department Of Conservation And Recreation | \$0 | \$200,000 | GF |
| | 0.00 | 2.00 | FTE |

Language:

Page 319, line 35, strike "\$55,254,708" and insert "\$55,454,708".

Page 322, after line 30, insert:

"N. Included in this appropriation is \$200,000 in the second year from the general fund and two positions for the Department of Conservation and Recreation to provide technical assistance to support Shoreline Erosion Advisory Services as established in § 10.1-702 of the Code of Virginia."

Explanation:

(This amendment would provide \$200,000 in the second year from the general fund and two positions for the Department of Conservation and Recreation to provide technical support to the Shoreline Advisory Services as established in § 10.1-702.)

Request to Amend House Bill 1400, as Introduced

Chief Patron: Rust

Item 104 #2h

Commerce and Trade

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Department Of Housing And
Community Development

\$300,000

\$300,000 GF

Language:

Page 89, line 46, strike "\$39,425,438" and insert "\$39,725,438".

Page 89, line 47, strike "\$40,425,438" and insert "\$40,725,438".

Page 90, line 32, strike "\$151,943 the first year and \$151,943" and insert:
"\$451,943 the first year and \$451,943".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides additional funding for the Northern Virginia Regional Commission, PDC 8, whose general fund support was reduced 71% in fiscal year 2010 when all other PDCs were reduced only 11%. This increase provides state support for the work of the PDC that serves the largest proportion of Virginians and allows for improved leveraging of other resources, especially work related to mitigating impacts of recent federal sequestration and the most recent recession which impacted this region most severely.)

Chief Patron: Scott, Edward

Item 357 #3h

Natural Resources

Department Of Conservation And
Recreation

Language

Language:

Page 320, after line 21, after "training." insert:

"The amount appropriated for small dam repairs of known or suspected deficiencies the second year is authorized for transfer to the Soil and Water Conservation District Dam Maintenance, Repair, and Rehabilitation Fund. Unspent funds appropriated for small dam repairs in the first year are also authorized to be retained and transferred to the Fund."

Explanation:

(This amendment authorizes the deposit of \$150,000 in fiscal year 2016 general funds and fiscal year 2015 carry-forward provided for small dam repairs of known or suspected deficiencies into the Soil and Water Conservation District Dam Maintenance, Repair, and Rehabilitation Fund. This action eliminates the recurring need to request annual carry-forward for projects not fully completed within a fiscal year and provides certainty to Soil and Water Conservation Districts that they can proceed with repairs without concern that funding will not be available to meet contractual obligations should a project not be completed within the authorized fiscal year.)

Chief Patron: Scott, Edward

Item 357 #8h

Co-Patron(s): Austin, Knight

| Natural Resources | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|----|
| Department Of Conservation And Recreation | \$0 | \$10,696,471 | GF |

Language:

Page 319, line 35, strike "\$55,254,708" and insert "\$65,951,179".

Page 321, line 1, after "B," insert "and \$10,696,471 from the general fund,".

Page 321, line 7, strike "\$7,385,417" and insert "\$18,081,888".

Page 321, line 12, strike "\$7,385,417" and insert "\$18,081,888".

Page 321, line 13, strike "\$643,154" and insert "\$1,582,551".

Page 321, line 14, strike "\$6,742,263" and insert "\$16,499,337".

Page 321, line 15, strike "\$4,045,358" and insert "\$9,899,603".

Page 321, line 17, strike "\$2,696,905" and insert "\$6,599,734".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides increases provides an additional \$10.7 million in general funding in fiscal year 2016 for the Agricultural BMP Cost Share and Technical Assistance Programs of the Soil and Water Conservation Districts.)

Request to Amend House Bill 1400, as Introduced

Chief Patron: Scott, Edward

Item 357 #11h

Natural Resources

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Department Of Conservation And
Recreation

\$0

\$10,000,000 NGF

Language:

Page 319, line 35, strike "\$55,254,708" and insert "\$65,254,708".

Page 321, line 23, strike the second "\$10,000,000" and insert "\$20,000,000".

Page 321, line 28, strike the second "\$10,000,000" and insert "\$20,000,000"

Explanation:

(This amendment reflects the increase from 50% to 100% the portion of the revenues generated by the \$20.00 deed recordation fee that is deposited into the Natural Resources Commitment Fund. The \$10.0 million currently generated by the share dedicated to the general fund would henceforth be transferred to the NRCF and used for the agriculture best management practices cost share program. A companion amendment to Item 3-6.01 shifts the deposit of these funds.)

Chief Patron: Scott, Edward

Item 358 #5h

Natural Resources

Department Of Conservation And
Recreation

FY 14-15

\$752,870

FY 15-16

\$151,328 GF

Language:

Page 322, line 32, strike "\$59,920,064" and insert "\$60,672,934".

Page 322, line 32, strike "\$59,862,440" and insert "\$60,013,768".

Page 323, after line 35, insert:

"F. Included in this appropriation is \$752,870 the first year and \$151,328 the second year from the general fund for improvement of overnight facilities at state parks."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides for the improvement of overnight facilities at state parks with one-time funding of \$752,870 in the first year from the general fund and permanent funding of \$151,328 in the second year from the general fund.)

Chief Patron: Scott, Edward

Item 363 #2h

Co-Patron(s): Garrett, Knight, Landes, O'Bannon, Peace

Natural Resources

Department Of Environmental
Quality

Language

Language:

Page 327, strike lines 41 through 54.

Page 328, strike lines 1 through 3.

Explanation:

(This amendment strikes Governor's proposed language related to the deductible prior to receipt of claims for funding from the Underground Petroleum Storage Tank Fund. A companion amendment to Item 3-1.01 LL. eliminates the proposed transfer of balances from this fund to address the agency reductions required at the Department of Environmental Quality pursuant to the state agency savings requirements contained in Item 471.10, Chapter 3, 2014 Special Session 1.)

Chief Patron: Scott, Edward

Item 363 #3h

Co-Patron(s): Garrett, Knight, Landes, O'Bannon, Peace

Natural Resources

Department Of Environmental
Quality

Language

Language:

Page 328, after line 3, insert:

"J. 1. The Department of Environmental Quality shall form a committee of stakeholders to include representatives from the Virginia Environmental Business Association, the Virginia Petroleum Convenience and Grocery Association, the banking and real estate community, and a representative from any financial services company that holds \$5,000,000 or more of the approved but unpaid Virginia Petroleum Storage Tank claims.

2. The Committee, working with Department staff, shall review Department's present and proposed guidance governing the cleanup of petroleum releases. The review shall determine:

- a) if the Department's present guidance is being applied uniformly by the Department's regional offices;
- b) if the Department's present and proposed guidance complies with the Commonwealth's groundwater protection regulations and the Department's technical regulations regarding petroleum spill remediation;
- c) whether it is warranted to move the petroleum program from the Department's water protection program to the Department's land protection program; and
- d) such other items relating to the petroleum program that the Committee or the Department shall deem pertinent, including i) whether deductibles for homeowners should be raised from the present \$500, and ii) whether the Virginia Petroleum Storage Tank Fund has adequate capitalization to withstand transfers to the general fund.

3. The Department shall submit a report as described above, including all recommendations made by the Committee, on behalf of the Committee to the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees no later than November 30, 2015."

Explanation:

(This amendment requires the Department of Environmental Quality to form a committee with industry stakeholders to study DEQ's present and proposed guidance governing the cleanup of petroleum releases, assess their compliance with current

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regulations protecting groundwater, among other issues. DEQ is required to report the findings and recommendations of the committee to the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees no later than November 30, 2015).

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Chief Patron: Scott, Edward

Item 3-1.01 #2h

Transfers

Interfund Transfers

Language

Language:

Page 503, line 4, strike "and \$1,000,000 the second year,".

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates that transfer of \$1,000,000 in the second year from nongeneral funds deposited in the Natural Resources Commitment Fund.)

Chief Patron: Scott, Edward

Item 3-1.01 #3h

Co-Patron(s): Garrett, Knight, Landes, O'Bannon, Peace

Transfers

Interfund Transfers

Language

Language:

Page 503, strike lines 15 and 16.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates a proposal contained in House Bill 1400 as introduced that would have captured \$2.4 million in balances from the Underground Petroleum Storage Tank Fund to help address required savings at the Department of Environmental Quality. A companion amendment to Item 363 eliminates language intended to reduce future calls against this fund by increasing the deductible from \$250 to \$2,500 per remediation for tanks with less than 5,000 gallon capacity.)

Chief Patron: Scott, Edward

Item 3-6.01 #1h

Adjustments and Modifications to Fees

Recordation Tax Fee

Language

Language:

Page 517, line 48, strike "fifty percent of such fee shall be deposited to the general fund. The revenue generated".

Page 517, line 49, strike "from the other fifty percent of".

Explanation:

(This amendment modifies the distribution of the revenues generated by the \$20.00 fee paid when filing deeds. Currently, 50 percent of the funds support general fund expenditures and 50 percent is deposited into the Natural Resources Commitment Fund to support funding for agriculture best management practices. A companion amendment to Item 357 provides the additional funding to the Department of Conservation and Recreation to support the funding of agriculture BMPs.)

Chief Patron: Sickles

Item 120 #4h

Commerce and Trade

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Virginia Economic Development
Partnership

\$0

\$350,000 GF

Language:

Page 98, line 29, strike "\$19,376,464" and insert "\$19,726,464".

Page 100, after line 5, insert:

"P. Out of the amounts for Economic Development Services shall be provided \$350,000 the second year from the general fund to continue a program connecting national security agency research and development programs and project managers with entrepreneurs in Northern Virginia."

Explanation:

(This amendment proposes an appropriation to the VEDP of \$350,000 from the general fund in the second year to provide continued support for an initiative that received initial funding from the Federal Action Contingency Trust Fund in fiscal year 2013, but whose funds were exhausted at the end of calendar year 2014. The program is expected to be self-sustaining following the funding requested for one additional year. National security agency research and development spending is one of the few discretionary areas of the federal budget that has increased and projects are for even further increases. These funds originate with federal agencies that are housed and headquartered in Northern Virginia with billions in funding flowing for national security research and development and its commercialization.)

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Chief Patron: Stolle

Item 357 #1h

| Natural Resources | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 | |
|---|-----------------|-------------------|------------|
| Department Of Conservation And Recreation | \$0 0.00 | \$120,000 1.00 | NGF FTE |

Language:

Page 319, line 35, strike "\$55,254,708" and insert "\$55,374,708".

Page 322, line 3, after "I." insert " 1.".

Page 322, line 6, strike "The funding provided in this paragraph".

Page 322, strike line 7.

Page 322, line 8, strike "renovation and repair."

Page 322, after line 10, insert:

"2. Unobligated balances in the Dam Safety, Flood Prevention and Protection Assistance Fund may be utilized in an amount not to exceed \$120,000 in the second year to review and update the Commonwealth's Flood Protection Plan in accordance with § 10.1-602 of the Code of Virginia."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides nongeneral funds and one position to the Department of Conservation and Recreation to enact the provisions of House Bill 1817 and Senate Bill 1079 that require the Department to review and update the Commonwealth's flood protection plan on a regular basis and to maintain the plan in an online format. This amendment also contains a technical amendment to strike language concerning the use of the funding that conflicts with the purposes of the Dam Safety, Flood Prevention and Protection Assistance Fund already set out in § 10.1-603.19 of the Code of Virginia. This amendment is a recommendation of the Joint Subcommittee to Formulate Recommendations to Address Recurrent Flooding.)

Chief Patron: Tyler

Item 90 #1h

| Agriculture and Forestry | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 | |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|----|
| Department Of Agriculture And Consumer Services | \$200,000 | \$200,000 | GF |

Language:

Page 77, line 38, strike "\$3,345,390" and insert "\$3,545,390".

Page 77, line 38, strike "\$3,345,390" and insert "\$3,545,390".

Page 77, line 45, before "Out", insert "A."

Page 77, after line 47, insert:

"B. The amounts for this item includes \$200,000 in the first year and \$200,000 in the second year from the general fund to continue to support the treatment and control of hydrilla on Lakes Gaston, Smith, Chesdin, and Anna, and the Potomac River."

Explanation:

(This amendment would provide \$200,000 from the general fund each year to address hydrilla contamination in Lake Gaston, Lake Smith, Lake Chesdin, Lake Anna, and the Potomac River, with focus on Brunswick and Mecklenburg counties. The widespread hydrilla growth has affected tourism and recreation, especially watersports, fishing and boating, in Southside Virginia's most prestigious lakes. Local governments are contributing funds to the eradication efforts; however, more treatments are required due to the steady growth of hydrilla over the last seven years.)

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Chief Patron: Tyler

Item 471.10 #6h

Central Appropriations

FY 14-15

FY 15-16

Central Appropriations

\$0

\$190,000 GF

Language:

Page 441, line 19, strike "\$90,459,489" and insert "\$90,269,489".

Page 442, strike line 21.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates a portion of savings identified by VDACS by eliminating the transfer of funding to the state agency reversion account pursuant to Chapter 3. This line item totals \$190,000 the second year and relates to their proposal to eliminated support for the coyote control program in the second year. Removing this transfer would restore the program funding. No changes were made to reflect the reduction within the VDACS budget.)

Chief Patron: Villanueva

Item 461 #4h

| Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|----|
| Department Of Veterans Services | \$0 | \$1,000,000 | GF |

Language:

Page 423, line 42, strike "\$11,297,591" and insert "\$12,297,591".

Page 424, after line 43, insert:

"H. 1. Out of this appropriation, up to \$1,000,000 the second year from the general fund shall be provided to address the costs associated with support of a grant program to create employment opportunities for veterans by assisting employers in hiring and retaining them. The Department of Veteran's Services shall develop program guidelines to ensure that the funding mechanism effectively attracts maximum participation of firms to increase the number of veterans hired.

2. Such funds shall be used to provide grants beginning July 1, 2015, to any business with 250 or fewer employees who has hired a veteran after July 1, 2014; if such veteran was hired within one year of the date of his discharge from active military, naval, or air service; has been continuously employed by the business in a full-time job for at least one year; and has been paid at least the prevailing average wage of the jurisdiction in which the job is located. The grant shall equal \$500 per qualifying business for each veteran that has been hired, up to a maximum grant of \$10,000 per business in the fiscal year.

3. Grants shall be issued in the order that each completed eligible application is received. In the event that the amount of eligible grants requested in a fiscal year exceeds the funds available in the Fund, such grants shall be paid in the next fiscal year in which funds are available.

4. The Department shall report no later than October 1 of each fiscal year after the program is implemented on the demand for the program, and any shortage of funding resulting from requests in excess of the available appropriation."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to establish a new grant program to incentivize businesses to hire Virginia's veterans. The program would go into effect January 1, 2016 and would provide grants of up to \$500 per qualifying business for each veteran it hires, up to a maximum annual grant to \$10,000 per business per fiscal year.)

Chief Patron: Villanueva

Item 3-5.20 #3h

Adjustments and Modifications to Tax Collections

Liveable Homes Tax Credit

Language

Language:

Page 517, after line 43, insert:

"§ 3-5.20 LIVEABLE HOMES TAX CREDIT

Notwithstanding § 58.1-339.7, Code of Virginia, or any other provision of law, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2015, the maximum amount of credits that may be issued in a calendar year under the Liveable Homes Tax Credit program shall not exceed \$1,500,000. The Department of Housing and Community Development shall allocate \$750,000 in tax credits for the purchase or construction of new residences and \$750,000 in tax credits for the retrofitting or renovation of existing residences or residential structures or units. If the amount of tax credits approved in a fiscal year for the purchase or construction of new residences is less than \$750,000, the Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development shall allocate the remaining balance of such tax credits for the retrofitting or renovation of existing residences or residential structures or units. If the amount of tax credits approved in a fiscal year for the retrofitting or renovation of existing residences or residential structures or units is less than \$750,000, the Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development shall allocate the remaining balance of such tax credits for the purchase or construction of new residence."

Explanation:

(This amendment increases the cap associated with the Liveable Homes Tax Credit from \$1.0 million to \$1.5 million each year beginning in tax year 2015. The credit is currently oversubscribed.)

Chief Patron: Ware, Lee

Item 3-5.18 #1h

Adjustments and Modifications to Tax Collections

Land Preservation Tax Credit

Language

Language:

Page 517, at the start of line 35, insert:

"Notwithstanding § 58.1-513, Code of Virginia, or any other provision of law, for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2015 the maximum amount of credits that may be issued in a calendar year under the Land Preservation Tax Credit program shall not exceed \$85,000,000."

Page 517, line 36, after "2015," insert:

"and for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2016".

Page 517, line 37, after "\$20,000." insert:

"For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2016, the amount of the Land Preservation Tax Credit that may be claimed by each taxpayer, including credit claimed by applying unused credits as provided under subsection C of § 58.1-513. Code of Virginia, shall not exceed \$50,000. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2015, any".

Page 527, line 37, strike "Any".

Explanation:

(This amendment modifies language contained in House Bill 1400 as introduced relating to the Land Preservation Tax Credit. The changes are intended to reflect the impact of House Bill 1828, which limits the rate at which tax credits can be redeemed and reduces the aggregate cap on credits. Like the proposal contained in House Bill 1400, for tax years 2015 and 2016 the amount of the tax credit claimed by any individual may not exceed \$20,000 in a given year and 13 years is provided to utilize the credits. Beginning in tax year 2017, the individual usage cap would increase to \$50,000. Today it is capped at \$100,000. Also included is a reduction in the aggregate annual credits issued, from \$100 million to \$85 million.)

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Chief Patron: Webert

Item 357 #2h

Co-Patron(s): Bloxom, Bulova, Cline, Edmunds, Fariss,
Farrell, Lingamfelter, Ransone, Rush, Wilt, Yost

| Natural Resources | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 | |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|----|
| Department Of Conservation And Recreation | \$0 | \$51,260,425 | GF |

Language:

Page 319, line 35, strike "\$55,254,708" and insert "\$106,515,133".

Page 321 after line 19, insert:

"4. In addition to these amounts, \$51,260,425 in the second year from the general fund shall be deposited to the Water Quality Improvement Fund. Out of these amounts \$14,721,323 shall be made available for Technical Assistance for Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Districts and \$36,539,102 shall be for Agricultural Best Management Practices Cost-Share Assistance."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides full funding of the water quality improvement needs identified in the 2014 Chesapeake Bay and Virginia Waters Clean Up Plan for Agricultural Best Management Practices Cost Share and technical assistance funding required for the Commonwealth to meet its 2017 water quality goals.)

Chief Patron: Webert

Item 3-6.06 #1h

Adjustments and Modifications to Fees

Transfer of Land Preservation Tax Credits

Language

Language:

Page 518, strike lines 38 through 43.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates language in House Bill 1400 as that increased the fee pay for the transfer of land preservation tax credits from 2% to 3%, generating an estimated \$1.35 million in fiscal year 2016 assumed in House Bill 1400 as introduced.)
