

House Appropriations Transportation Subcommittee

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Chief Patron: Adams

Item 1 #2h

Co-Patron(s): Marshall D., Poindexter

Funding for I-73 Joint Study Committee

Legislative Department	FY16-17	FY17-18
General Assembly of Virginia	\$24,600	\$24,600 GF

Language:

Page 3, line 5, strike "\$40,478,773" and insert "\$40,503,373".

Page 3, line 5, strike "\$40,479,905" and insert "\$40,504,505".

Page 10, after line 23, insert:

"S. Included in this appropriation is \$24,600 in the first year from the general fund for expenses related to the Joint Subcommittee studying the construction of the proposed Interstate 73 in Virginia and to continue the work of the joint committee of the Senate Committee on Local Government and the Senate Committee on Transportation created in 2014 to evaluate this proposal."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$24,600 from the general fund each year pursuant to House Joint Resolution 115 which proposes to create a joint subcommittee to study the construction of proposed Interstate 73.)

Chief Patron: Adams

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Co-Patron(s): Poindexter

VDOT Evaluation of Establishment of I-73

Transportation

Department of Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 380, after line 15, insert:

"E. Recognizing that there is a strong and direct connection between a vibrant economy and a sound transportation infrastructure, and because for south-central Virginia, no element of the Commonwealth's transportation infrastructure is more important than highways and construction of proposed Interstate 73 is among the most vital highway projects being planned for the region, the Department of Transportation is directed to develop options to ensure that such project is initiated in a timely fashion. The Department shall report its findings to the Chairmen of the House and Senate Transportation Committees no later than November 1, 2016. "

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Explanation:

(This amendment directs the Department of Transportation to evaluate the potential for the construction of Interstate 73 in Virginia.)

Chief Patron: Adams

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Co-Patron(s): Poindexter

I-73 Location and Design

Transportation

Department of Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 381, after line 39, insert:

"I. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 33.2-214.1, from the amounts appropriated for Highway Construction Programs, the Commonwealth Transportation Board is herein directed to advance the final location and design, preliminary engineering, right of way acquisition, and construction of the proposed Interstate 73 in Henry, Franklin and Roanoke Counties consistent with the Record of Decision issued by the Federal Highway Administration on March 30, 2007. It is the intent of the General Assembly that full funding of the construction shall be incorporated into the 2017 Six Year Improvement Program."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs the Commonwealth Transportation Board to provide full funding for the construction of the proposed I-73.)

Chief Patron: Anderson

Item 436 #3h

Allocation of Federal STP Funds to Transit Properties

Transportation

Secretary of Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 370, after line 10 insert:

"In addition, 10 percent of the funds apportioned under federal law for the Surface Transportation Program shall be allocated for public transportation operations under a grant program to be established by the Department of Rail and Public Transportation. The purpose of the program shall be to provide short-term relief to financially-stressed public transportation entities in order to maintain operational capacity when significant conditions,

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not caused by the entity, have negatively impacted the ability to meet consumer demand. Program guidelines to be established by the department shall include requirements for matching funds and evidence of the implementation of fiscally responsible efficiency measures implemented by the applicant. No single public transportation entity shall receive more than 50 percent of the amount available under the program in a single year."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs the distribution of 10 percent of all federal Surface Transportation Program funds distributed by the CTB to a newly established program to support financially stressed transit properties and limits an individual recipient to no more than 50 percent of such funds in a single year.)

Chief Patron: Anderson

Item 442 #1h

Database on Nonsalvageable Vehicles

Transportation

Department of Motor Vehicles

Language

Language:

Page 375, after line 29, insert:

"K. The Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles shall convene a stakeholder work group, to include representatives from DMV, the insurance industry, the salvage/rebuilding industry, auto auction houses, law enforcement and the recycling and scrap metal industry to assess the necessity, feasibility, and cost of the Commonwealth contracting with a third party data consolidator to the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System (NMVTIS) for the development of a statewide database for the submission of data related to the sale and transfer of salvage, nonrepairable, junk, flood or similarly branded vehicles. The work group shall submit a report the Chairmen of the House and Senate Transportation Committees no later than November 1, 2016."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs DMV to convene a stakeholder work group to assess the feasibility of contractor with a data consolidator to develop a database related to the sale of salvage and other nonrepairable vehicles. The group would report the the House and Senate Transportation Committees by November 1, 2016.)

Chief Patron: Bell, John

Item 453 #3h

Practical Design Standards for Projects

Transportation

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Department of Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 381, after line 39, insert:

"I. Pursuant to the provisions of House Bill 796, 2016 Session of the General Assembly, the department shall employ value engineering and practical design standards that are based on a life-cycle cost approach for all projects costing more than \$5,000,000. Such practical design standards shall (i) focus on improvements that meet but do not seek to exceed the project's initial objective; (ii) use exceptions, waivers, and deviations to sufficiently meet a project's objective; (iii) maximize cost savings; and (iv) allow for the reuse of existing infrastructure when feasible. Any costs associated with the use of such design standards will be funded from the existing appropriations of Commonwealth Transportation Fund revenues."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs the Department of Transportation to utilize practical design standards as required by the provisions of House Bill 796, 2016 Session of the General Assembly.)

Chief Patron: Bell, John

Item 458 #1h

Co-Patron(s): Boysko, Greason, Minchew, Murphy

Review of Dulles Greenway Bonds

Transportation

Department of Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 387, after line 22, insert:

"L. The Department of Transportation is hereby directed to review Toll Road Investors Partnership II's (TRIP II) outstanding bonds to determine which bonds could be replaced with lower rate revenue bonds without triggering a financial penalty. By purchasing said bonds, it would allow the Commonwealth to purchase a partial ownership of the Dulles Greenway. VDOT is further directed to determine what ownership percentage the Commonwealth would need to own of the Dulles Greenway to enact toll-reducing measures, including but not limited to: granting tax-free status to the Dulles Greenway, eliminating the current fees paid to State Police for law enforcement activities along the highway, and having the department operate and maintain the roadway, including snow removal, at no cost to TRIP II. The department shall utilize the data collected in such a review to develop an optimized buy-back plan to allow the Commonwealth to obtain a partial ownership in the Greenway in order to pass along any resulting cost reductions to motorists with a dollar-for-dollar reduction in tolls and the implementation of distance-based pricing. The department shall submit its findings and plan to the Chairmen of the House and Senate Transportation

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Committees no later than November 1, 2016."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs the Department of Transportation to review Toll Road Investors Partnership II's (TRIP II) outstanding bonds to determine which bonds could be replaced with lower rate revenue bonds without triggering a financial penalty. By purchasing said bonds, it would allow the Commonwealth to purchase a partial ownership of the Dulles Greenway.)

Chief Patron: Bloxom

Item 437 #1h

Improvements at VCSFA

Transportation	FY16-17	FY17-18
Virginia Commercial Space Flight Authority	\$10,000,000	\$15,000,000 NGF

Language:

Page 372, line 18, strike "\$15,800,020" and insert "\$25,800,020".

Page 372, line 18, strike "\$15,800,021" and insert "\$30,800,021".

Page 372, at the beginning of line 23, insert "A."

Page 372, after line 26, insert:

"B. In addition to the amounts included in paragraph A. of this item, from the remaining amounts appropriated in this Act from the Commonwealth Transportation Fund, \$10,000,000 in the first year and \$15,000,000 in the second year shall be transferred to the Virginia Commercial Space Flight Authority. Of this amount, \$2,000,000 shall be utilized for the construction of a hanger to shelter for unmanned aerial systems (UAS) and \$23,000,000 would be used for the construction of a payload processing plant."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides a total of \$25.0 million from Commonwealth Transportation Funds for the VCSFA to construct a payload processing plant for classified Department of Defense satellite payloads and for classified customers bringing UAS to the new runway and for the construction of a hanger to shelter the UAS and give the user a place to prepare and maintain assets as they are between missions at the site. This payload center would enhance the rocket facilities and dovetails with the UAS and would be beneficial to NASA, the United States Navy and the Spaceport.)

Chief Patron: Dudenhefer

Item 436 #4h

Co-Patron(s): Anderson, Sickles

VRE Review

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Transportation

Secretary of Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 372, after line 12, insert:

"M. The Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) shall review the recent Virginia Railway Express long range plan and financial analysis and assess the conclusions of that analysis with respect to the impact of the Virginia Railway Express on the Interstate 66 and Interstate 95/395 corridors of statewide significance. The CTB shall consult with interested stakeholders and report its findings to the Secretary of Transportation, the Chairmen of the Senate Finance Committee and the House Appropriations Committee no later than August 31, 2016."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs the CTB to review the long range plan and financial analysis of the Virginia Railway Express and evaluate the impact of its services on the I-66, 95 and 395 corridors.)

Chief Patron: Heretick

Item 464 #1h

VPA PILOT Fees

Transportation

FY16-17

FY17-18

Virginia Port Authority

\$197,597

\$197,597 GF

Language:

Page 390, line 52, strike "\$5,372,625" and insert "\$5,570,222".

Page 390, line 52, strike "\$5,437,625" and insert "\$5,635,222".

Page 391, line 4, strike "\$950,000" and "\$950,000" and insert:

"\$1,147,597" and "\$1,147,597".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides an additional \$197,597 in each year of the biennium to increase the funds appropriated to the Virginia Port Authority for payments in lieu of taxes to the host cities. This amount equals the original 2007 appropriation of \$1.0 million each year, adjusted for inflation.)

Chief Patron: James

Item 453 #1h

Paradise Creek Bridge

Transportation

Department of Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 381, after line 39, insert:

"I. From the amounts appropriated in this item, \$8,600,000 in the first year from unallocated federal revenues received by the department on October 7, 2015 from the Federal Highway Administration shall be used to acquire right-of-way and construct a replacement for the Paradise Creek Bridge in Portsmouth."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs VDOT to utilize \$8.6 million in federal funds to acquire right-of-way and construct a replacement for the Paradise Creek Bridge in Portsmouth. This bridge was constructed in 1944, is structurally deficient, and has a sufficiency rating of 18.7 on a 1-100 rating scale.)

Chief Patron: Knight

Item 453 #6h

Maintain Revenue Sharing Program Funding Levels

Transportation

Department of Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 380, line 39, strike "\$150,000,000" and insert "\$189,133,386".

Page 380, line 39, strike "\$100,000,000" and insert "\$189,133,386".

Explanation:

(This amendment directs VDOT to maintain the revenue sharing program at fiscal year 2016 levels. Allocations for the current year totals \$189,133,386.)

Chief Patron: LeMunyon

Item 449 #3h

Prohibit Funding for DC-RIC High Speed Rail

Transportation

Department of Rail and Public Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 379, after line 1, insert:

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"D. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 33.2-1601 and 33.2-1603, no funds provided for rail improvements shall be used to make improvements related to the proposed Washington, D.C. to Richmond, Virginia high speed rail initiative. This prohibition shall not limit the ability of the department to undertake projects intended to increase throughput of existing Amtrak, Virginia Railway Express (VRE) or freight service, or impede any expanded VRE service."

Explanation:

(This amendment prohibits DRPT from utilizing rail enhancement and intercity passenger rail operating and capital funds to advance the Washington to Richmond high speed rail project.)

Chief Patron: LeMunyon

Item 4-5.03 #2h

No Funding for Tolling I-66 Inside Beltway

Special Conditions and Restrictions on Expenditures

Services and Clients

Language

Language:

Page 477, after line 28, insert:

"e. RESTRICTION ON USAGE OF TRANSPORTATION FUNDS

1. No funding appropriated in this Act may be used to fund the planning, engineering, design, or construction of a tolled lane or lanes on Interstate 66 inside the Capital Beltway, nor shall any funding be provided to the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission to facilitate such a project, or transit enhancements related to such a proposal be used for such purpose."

Explanation:

(This amendment prohibits the use of any state, federal or regional funds appropriated in this Act to facilitate the development of tolled lanes on I-66 inside the Capital Beltway.)

Chief Patron: Marshall, Robert

Item 109 #1h

Transfer Go Virginia Funds to Transportation

Commerce and Trade

FY16-17

FY17-18

Department of Housing and Community
Development

(\$5,000,000)

(\$20,000,000)

GF

Language:

Page 85, line 50, strike "\$50,637,001" and insert "\$45,637,001".

Page 85, line 50, strike "\$64,504,601" and insert "\$44,504,601".

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Page 88, strike lines 16 through 27.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates the proposed funding for the "Go Virginia" initiative appropriated to DHCD in House Bill 30 as introduced. A companion amendment to Item 453 instead allocates those funds to VDOT for construction projects.)

Chief Patron: Marshall, Robert

Item 438 #1h

Redirect Proposed Dulles Funding

Transportation	FY16-17	FY17-18	
Department of Aviation	(\$25,000,000)	(\$25,000,000)	NGF

Language:

Page 372, line 31, strike "\$28,351,475" and insert "\$3,351,475".

Page 372, line 31, strike "\$28,351,475" and insert "\$3,351,475".

Page 373, strike lines 7 through 14.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates a proposal to provide \$25.0 million each year from the Priority Transportation Fund to the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority to reduce the per passenger enplanement costs at Dulles Airport. A companion amendment to Item 453 redirects these funds to the expansion of Interstate 66 eastbound from I-495 to the Route 29 exit in Arlington County.)

Chief Patron: Marshall, Robert

Item 453 #4h

Transfer Go Virginia Funds to Transportation

Transportation	FY16-17	FY17-18	
Department of Transportation	\$5,000,000	\$20,000,000	GF

Language:

Page 380, line 16, strike "\$2,077,235,226" and insert "\$2,082,235,226".

Page 380, line 16, strike "\$1,706,699,198" and insert "\$1,726,699,198".

Page 381, after line 39, insert:

"I. Included in the amounts appropriated in this item is \$5,000,000 in the first year and \$20,000,000 in the second year from the general fund for statewide construction projects. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 33.2-214.1, \$2,137,931 in the first year and \$8,551,724 in the second year shall be distributed among the VDOT construction districts based on each district's share of the state population, and the \$2,862,069 in the first year and \$11,448,276 in

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the second year shall be distributed among the districts on a competitive basis."

Explanation:

(This amendment transfers \$25.0 million from the general fund that is appropriated to the Department of Housing and Community Development for the "Go Virginia" initiative in House Bill 30 as introduced to the Department of Transportation for statewide highway construction projects. The funding is to be distributed in the same proportions as proposed under the Go Virginia initiative.)

Chief Patron: Marshall, Robert

Item 453 #5h

Route 28 Improvements

Transportation

Department of Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 381, after line 39, insert:

"I. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any section of state-maintained roadway which (i) traverses four jurisdictions, (ii) is approximately six miles in length, (iii) has a crash rate that is twice the statewide and district averages, (iv) has an injury rate twice the statewide and districtwide averages, (v) has a fatality rate twice the districtwide average, and (vi) has a morning northbound travel time of approximately 45 minutes to an Interstate shall be deemed to comply with the provisions of § 33.1-214.1, Code of Virginia, for the purposes of constructing three and two reversible morning and evening travel lanes which traverse two of the jurisdictions and out of existing funds an amount not to exceed \$6,500,000 shall be allocated to implement construction of said lanes."

Explanation:

(This amendment stipulates that a roadway meeting six specific requirements outlined above shall be deemed to have met the requirements of House Bill 2, 2014 Session of the General Assembly, which establishes a statewide prioritization method for selecting highway projects. It allocates an amount not to exceed \$6.5 million to implement needed improvements to Route 28 between Manassas Drive in Manassas Park and the Prince William/Fairfax County boundary at the Bull Run bridge.)

Chief Patron: Marshall, Robert

Item 453 #7h

Funding for I-66 Inside Beltway

Transportation

FY16-17

FY17-18

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Department of Transportation \$25,000,000 \$25,000,000 NGF

Language:

Page 380, line 16, strike "\$2,077,235,226" and insert "\$2,102,235,226".

Page 380, line 16, strike "\$1,706,699,198" and insert "\$1,731,699,198".

Page 381, after line 39, insert:

"I. Included in the amounts for this item is \$25,000,000 in the first year and \$25,000,000 in the second year from the Priority Transportation Fund which shall be used to cover part of the costs associated with adding an additional lane on eastbound Interstate 66 from the interchange with Interstate 495 to the exit for Route 29 in Arlington County."

Explanation:

(This amendment redirects \$50.0 million in funding from the Priority Transportation Fund that had been dedicated to the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority (MWAA) in House Bill 30 as introduced and instead directs its use to adding a lane on I-66 eastbound from I-495 to the Route 29 exit in Arlington County. A companion amendment to Item 438 removes the funding from MWAA.)

Chief Patron: Marshall, Robert

Item 4-5.03 #1h

No Funding for Tolling I-66 Inside Beltway

Special Conditions and Restrictions on Expenditures

Services and Clients

Language

Language:

Page 477, after line 28, insert:

"e. RESTRICTION ON USAGE OF TRANSPORTATION FUNDS

1. No funding appropriated in this Act may be used to fund the planning, engineering, design, or construction of a tolled lane or lanes on Interstate 66 inside the Capital Beltway, nor shall any funding be provided to the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission to facilitate such a project, or transit enhancements related to such a proposal be used for such purpose."

Explanation:

(This amendment prohibits the use of any state, federal or regional funds appropriated in this Act to facilitate the development of tolled lanes on I-66 inside the Capital Beltway.)

Chief Patron: Marshall, Robert

Item 4-5.03 #3h

No Funding for Tolling I-66 Outside Beltway

Special Conditions and Restrictions on Expenditures

Services and Clients

Language

Language:

Page 477, after line 28, insert:

"e. RESTRICTION ON USAGE OF TRANSPORTATION FUNDS

1. No funding appropriated in this Act may be used to fund the planning, engineering, design, or construction of a tolled lane or lanes on Interstate 66 outside the Capital Beltway, nor shall any funding be provided to the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission to facilitate such a project, or transit enhancements related to such a proposal be used for such purpose."

Explanation:

(This amendment prohibits the use of any state, federal or regional funds appropriated in this Act to facilitate the development of tolled lanes on I-66 from the Capital Beltway to Haymarket.)

Chief Patron: Peace

Item 442 #2h

Temporary Authority Intrastate Transport

Transportation

Department of Motor Vehicles

Language

Language:

Page 375, after line 29, insert:

"K. Notwithstanding the provisions of Chapter 21 of Title 46.2, Code of Virginia, the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles shall be authorized to grant temporary authority to a motor carrier to transport property for compensation on an intrastate basis utilizing a digital platform that connects persons seeking a property transportation service with persons authorized by the motor carrier to transport property. Such temporary authority shall be subject to such reasonable conditions as the Commissioner may impose, and shall be valid only for passenger cars and pickup or panel trucks, as those terms are defined in § 46.2-100, Code of Virginia, which vehicles shall not be required to be issued for-hire license plates under the provisions of § 46.2-711, Code of Virginia. Such temporary authority, unless suspended or revoked, shall be valid for such time as the Department shall specify, but such authority shall not extend beyond 130 days following the adjournment of the next regular session of the General Assembly and shall create no presumption that corresponding permanent authority will be granted thereafter."

Explanation:

(This amendment authorizes the DMV Commissioner to grant temporary authority to

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intrastate motor carriers transporting property utilizing a digital platform to connect the servicer with the customer. This authorization is similar to the process used to temporarily authorize intrastate passenger carriers prior to the adoption of the Transportation Network Companies legislation adopted by the 2015 Session of the General Assembly.)

Chief Patron: Sickles

Item 454 #1h

Warning Signs Automatic Reckless Driving Above 80 mph

Transportation

Department of Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 382, after line 6, insert:

"E. The department is directed to utilize amounts provided in this item for Interstate maintenance to erect signs along the Commonwealth's Interstate highways at such points where the maximum allowable speed limit increases to 70 miles per hour warning drivers that under the provisions of § 46.2-862, Code of Virginia, driving in excess of 80 miles per hour is considered reckless driving, regardless of the speed limit. To prioritize placement of such signs, the department shall work with the Department of Motor Vehicles to determine locations where the largest number of reckless driving tickets are issued within the 70 mile per hour zones."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs the Department of Transportation to erect signs on Interstate roadways at such points where the maximum allowable speed limit increases to 70 mph notifying driver's that Virginia law considers driving above 80 mph to be reckless driving regardless of the roadway speed limit.)

Chief Patron: Torian

Item 448 #1h

Transit Study Springfield to Quantico

Transportation

FY16-17

FY17-18

Department of Rail and Public
Transportation

\$2,000,000

\$0 NGF

Language:

Page 376, line 47, strike "\$435,536,141" and insert "\$437,536,141".

Page 378, after line 23, insert:

"E. Included in the amounts for this item is \$2,000,000 in the first year from the Commonwealth Transportation Fund for the Department of Rail and Public Transportation to

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evaluate the level of study necessary to identify and advance potential public transportation services from the Franconia-Springfield Metro Station to Marine Corps Base Quantico in Prince William and Stafford Counties, including the feasibility of extending the Blue Line of the Metro Rail and other multimodal options such as bus rapid transit, along Interstate 95 and U.S. Route 1. Upon completion of this evaluation, the department shall proceed to the recommended level of study for improved public transportation services along the U.S. Route 1 corridor. The Department shall report its findings to the Chairmen of the House and Senate Transportation Committees, and the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees, including recommendations on appropriate next steps no later than the first day of the 2017 and 2018 Regular Sessions of the General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs the Department of Rail and Public Transportation to study the extension of transit service from the Franconia-Springfield Metro Station to Marine Corps Base Quantico in Prince William and Stafford Counties, including the feasibility of extending the Blue Line of the Metro Rail and other multimodal options such as bus rapid transit, along Interstate 95 and U.S. Route 1 and to report on its findings to the General Assembly transportation and money committees.)

Chief Patron: Villanueva

Item 449 #1h

Co-Patron(s): Bloxom, Davis, Heretick, Lindsey, Spruill, Stolle, Ward

Rail EIS for Richmond to Hampton Rds Rail

Transportation

Department of Rail and Public Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 378, after line 23, insert:

"E. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 33.2-1601 and § 33.2-1603, Code of Virginia, from the amounts appropriated in this item, \$10,000,000 in the first year and \$10,000,000 in the second year shall be allocated by the department to the Hampton Roads Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to conduct the Richmond to Hampton Roads Tier II Passenger Rail Environmental Impact Study (EIS). Any Rail Enhancement Funds utilized for this purpose shall be administered according to the guidelines governing the use of Intercity Passenger Rail Operating and Capital Funds."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs \$10.0 million each year from existing rail funding to the Hampton Roads MPO to conduct a Tier II EIS for Richmond to Hampton Roads rail service.)

Chief Patron: Villanueva

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Co-Patron(s): Bloxom, Davis, Heretick, Lindsey, Spruill, Stolle, Ward

Rail Service Enhancement Norfolk and Roanoke

Transportation

Department of Rail and Public Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 379, after line 1, insert:

"D. Because of the overwhelming need for the delivery of services provided by the investment in a balanced transportation system in the Commonwealth, and in an effort to deliver intercity passenger trains utilizing the Commonwealth's investments and to increase passenger train frequencies to Norfolk and Roanoke, notwithstanding the provisions of § 33.2-1601 and § 33.2-1603, Code of Virginia, prior to making any further investment in intercity passenger rail capacity to serve new markets in North Carolina, the Department of Rail and Public Transportation shall complete the projects underway and deliver train capacity improvements to serve Norfolk and Roanoke. Any Rail Enhancement Funds utilized for the purposes of the service delivery outlined in this paragraph shall be administered according to the guidelines governing the use of Intercity Passenger Rail Operating and Capital funds."

Explanation:

(This amendment prohibits the Department of Rail and Public Transportation from utilizing funds to expand intercity passenger rail service to new markets in North Carolina until it has completed capacity improvements for rail service to Norfolk and Roanoke.)

Chief Patron: Ware

Item 453 #8h

Huguenot Trail Project, Powhatan County

Transportation

Department of Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 381, after line 39, insert:

"I. Out of the amounts provided in this item for highway construction programs, \$5,849,374 shall be directed to fund construction of project UPC 86442, the widening of State Route 711 in Powhatan County from two lanes to four lanes between the Route 288 interchange to approximately 0.04 miles East of the Powhatan County and Chesterfield County line."

Explanation:

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(This amendment directs VDOT to utilize \$5.8 million of its existing construction funds to fully fund the widening of Route 711 in Powhatan County. The project has been funded through preliminary engineering and right-of-way acquisition in the current Six Year Improvement Program but the construction allocation is insufficient to complete the project.)

Chief Patron: Webert

Item 436 #1h

No Funding for I-66 HOT Lanes Outside the Beltway

Transportation

Secretary of Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 372, after line 12, insert:

"M. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no funding appropriated to any agency of the Commonwealth for transportation purposes may be expended for the planning, design, engineering, or construction of, or for the procurement of goods and services to undertake any such activities to convert any existing or planned travel lanes on Interstate 66 east of mile marker 40, the Haymarket/Route 15 interchange, to high occupancy toll (HOT) lanes. Such prohibition shall extend to the use of staff time related to such a project."

Explanation:

(This amendment prohibits the use of any general or nongeneral transportation funds to convert any existing or new travel lanes of Interstate 66 east of mile marker 40 (Haymarket/Route 15) to high occupancy toll (HOT) lanes.

Chief Patron: Webert

Item 436 #2h

No Funding for I-66 HOT Lanes Outside the Beltway Unless Free Use Retained for HOV and Clean Fuel Vehicles

Transportation

Secretary of Transportation

Language

Language:

Page 372, after line 12, insert:

"M. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no funding appropriated to any agency of the Commonwealth for transportation purposes may be expended for the planning, design, engineering, or construction of, or for the procurement of goods and services to undertake any such activities to convert any existing or planned travel lanes on Interstate 66 east of mile marker 40, the Haymarket/Route 15 interchange, to high occupancy toll (HOT) lanes

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unless such HOT lanes preserve the right of high occupancy vehicles (HOV) with a minimum of two passengers and vehicles with Clean Fuel Vehicle license plates to use the HOT lanes free of charge. Such prohibition shall extend to the use of staff time related to such a project."

Explanation:

(This amendment prohibits the use of any general or nongeneral transportation funds to convert any existing or new travel lanes of Interstate 66 east of mile marker 40 (Haymarket/Route 15) to high occupancy toll (HOT) lanes unless HOV and clean fuel vehicles are authorized to utilize the HOT lanes free of charge.)
