

**House Appropriations Commerce, Agriculture, Natural Resources
& Technology Subcommittee**

Budget Amendment Request to House Bill 29

Patron Amendment # Short Title

Stolle 3-1.01 #1h Dam Safety Fund Balances for Shoreline Resiliency Fund
3-3.02 #1h Redirect Dam Safety Fund Balances

Yancey 91 #1h Prohibits Expenditures for Unnecessary Procedures that Cause Pain in Dogs and Cats

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Chief Patron: Stolle

Item 3-1.01 #1h

Transfers

Interfund Transfers

Language

Language:

Page 227, after line 42, insert:

"QQ. On or before June 30 of the second year, the State Comptroller shall transfer to the Shoreline Resiliency Fund \$544,711 in balances from the Dam Safety, Flood Prevention and Protection Fund."

Explanation:

(This amendment redirects balances from the Dam Safety Fund totaling \$544,711 from the general fund to the Shoreline Resiliency Fund. A companion amendment to Item 3-3.02 eliminates the transfer to the general fund.)

Chief Patron: Stolle

Item 3-3.02 #1h

General Fund Deposits

Payment by the Virginia Resources Authority

Language

Language:

Page 229, line 44, strike lines 43 through 45.

Explanation:

(This amendment strikes language directing the Virginia Resources Authority to transfer \$544,711 in balances from the Dam Safety Fund to the General Fund. A companion amendment to Item 3-1.01 instead directs those balances to the Shoreline Resiliency Fund.)

Chief Patron: Yancey

Item 91 #1h

Agriculture and Forestry

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Language

Language:

Page 22, after line 17, insert:

"O. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no state general funds shall be appropriated to any organization, whether public or private, to carry out any medically unnecessary scientific or medical research that causes significant pain or distress to a dog or cat, which is defined to include any procedure or condition classified under pain and distress Category E. by the Department of Agriculture."

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Explanation:

(This amendment prohibits the use of any state funds for procedures that cause significant pain or distress to dogs or cats.)

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Chief Patron: Bell Richard P.

Item 362 #3h

Co-Patron(s): Landes

Natural Resources	FY18-19	FY19-20
Department of Conservation and Recreation	\$420,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 322, line 44, strike "\$58,023,080" and insert "\$58,443,080".

Page 325, line 21, strike the first "464,294" and insert "\$884,294".

Page 325, after line 28, insert:

Out of these amounts, \$420,000 in the first year from the general fund shall be provided to match federal and local funding for the rehabilitation of the Hearthstone Lake Dam in Augusta County."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$420,000 in the first year from the general fund to rehabilitate the Upper North River Watershed Dam Number 77 on Hearthstone Lake in Augusta County to meet current NRCS safety performance standards for a high hazard dam. The proposed project would provide sediment storage for another 68 years after construction and maintain the current level of flood protection downstream. The plan provides for raising the dam embankment by 2.6 feet with earthfill, widening the auxiliary spillway by 92 feet, constructing a splitter dike, and installing turn reinforcement mat for stability. It is anticipated that federal funds will be provided for the remaining \$4.1 million of costs associated with the rehabilitation. The request for additional state funds results from higher than anticipated construction costs and a temporary road closing due to the identification of incompatibility of different layers of the dam as it was originally constructed.)

Chief Patron: Bell Richard P.

Item 380 #1h

Co-Patron(s): Landes

Natural Resources	FY18-19	FY19-20
Virginia Museum of Natural History	\$250,000	\$0 GF

Language:

Page 336, line 35, strike "\$3,272,111" and insert "\$3,522,111".

Page 336, after line 44, insert:

"Out of the amounts included in this item, \$250,000 the first year from the general fund is provided for the final architectural planning and the design of the exhibits and public

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experiences at the proposed Waynesboro campus of the museum."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$250,000 the first year from the general fund for the next step enabling final architectural planning of the proposed Waynesboro Campus of the Virginia Museum of Natural History. A comprehensive feasibility study and master plan with \$150,000 in funding provided by the museum, the City of Waynesboro, and community donations.)

Chief Patron: Bloxom

Item 376 #2h

Co-Patron(s): Landes

Natural Resources

FY18-19

FY19-20

Marine Resources Commission

\$2,000,000

\$2,000,000

GF

Language:

Page 334, line 37, strike "\$20,187,803" and insert "\$22,187,803".

Page 334, line 37, strike "\$20,187,803" and insert "\$22,187,803".

Page 335, line 25, strike "\$2,000,000" and "\$2,000,000" and insert: "\$3,500,000" and "\$3,500,000".

Page 335, line 26, strike "." and insert:

"and \$500,000 the first year and 500,000 the second year from the general fund to provide support for oyster restoration."

Explanation:

(This amendment increases the Marine Resources Commission's funding for oyster replenishment by \$1,500,000 each year and adds \$500,000 each year for oyster restoration activities.)

Chief Patron: Bloxom

Item 377 #1h

Natural Resources

FY18-19

FY19-20

Marine Resources Commission

\$750,000

\$750,000

GF

Language:

Page 335, line 32, strike "\$2,769,820" and insert "\$3,519,820".

Page 335, line 32, strike "\$2,947,820" and insert "\$3,697,820".

Page 335, after line 46, insert:

"C. Out of this appropriation, \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the second year from the general fund is designated for Virginia's share of an Army Corps of Engineers project titled, "Chincoteague Island Study" which will study the reasons for and provide the preferred

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solutions to the widening of Chincoteague Inlet which is between Wallops Island and Assateague Island."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$750,000 each year from the general fund to finance Virginia's share of an Army Corps of Engineers project titled, "Chincoteague Island Study" which will study the reasons for and provide the preferred solutions to the widening of Chincoteague Inlet which is between Wallops Island and Assateague Island. The Commonwealth has invested millions of dollars at the Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport at the NASA Wallops Island Flight Facility. The widening inlet endangers this investment and the residents and economy of the Town of Chincoteague.)

Chief Patron: Bulova

Item 363 #9h

Co-Patron(s): Krizek, Plum, Robinson

Natural Resources

FY18-19

FY19-20

Department of Conservation and
Recreation

\$2,140,866
\$497,030

\$2,140,866 GF
\$497,030 NGF

Language:

Page 325, line 29, strike "\$62,377,449" and insert "\$65,015,345".

Page 325, line 29, strike "\$61,354,690" and insert "\$63,992,586".

Page 326, after line 49, insert:

"H. Included in the appropriation for this item is an increase of \$2,140,866 in the first year and \$2,140,866 in the second year from the general fund and \$497,030 in the first year and \$497,030 in the second year from nongeneral fund resources to provide supplemental support to State Parks operational and non-capital maintenance needs."

Explanation:

(This amendment requests \$2.1 million from the general fund and \$500,000 of nongeneral fund resources to support the ongoing operational and non-capital maintenance cost requirements at Virginia's State Parks not met through existing appropriation levels. The general fund amounts would be utilized to cover routine and ongoing operations. Without an increase in funding, critical repairs may become necessary at a greater expense and State Parks will be forced to again hold staff vacancies in order to free up funds for other operating necessities. There is an additional need for \$1.0 million for new equipment replacement each year as State Parks will have 12 new cabins, 3 new lodges and 47 new yurts coming online in 2019.)

Chief Patron: Campbell

Item 363 #6h

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Co-Patron(s): Morefield, Pillion

Natural Resources	FY18-19	FY19-20	
Department of Conservation and Recreation	\$120,000	\$0	GF

Language:

Page 325, line 29, strike "\$62,377,449" and insert "\$62,497,449".

Page 326, after line 49, insert:

"H. Included in the amounts for this item is \$120,000 the first year from the general fund to acquire additional land abutting the New River State Park."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$120,000 from the general fund in the first year to acquire land abutting the New River State Park and to provide new river access to the trail.)

Chief Patron: Carroll Foy

Item 363 #8h

Natural Resources	FY18-19	FY19-20	
Department of Conservation and Recreation	\$965,310 6.00	\$590,944 6.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 325, line 29, strike "\$62,377,449" and insert "\$63,342,759".

Page 325, line 29, strike "\$61,354,690" and insert "\$61,945,634".

Page 326, after line 49 insert:

"H. Included in the amounts for this item is \$965,310 the first year and \$590,944 the second year from the general fund and 6 FTE positions to support the operational costs associated with Phases 2 and 3 of Widewater State Park."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$965,310 the first year, \$590,944 the second year and 6 FTE positions to support the operational costs of Phases 2 and 3 of Widewater State Park.)

Chief Patron: Fariss

Item 363 #5h

Natural Resources

Department of Conservation and Recreation

Language

Language:

Page 326, strike lines 39 through 49 and insert:

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"G. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Code of Virginia, the department shall not initiate or accept by gift, transfer, or purchase with nongeneral funds any lands for use as a State Park without a specific appropriation for such purpose by the General Assembly. However, the department is authorized to acquire in-holdings or additions to an existing State Park, as well as additions to or new Natural Area Preserves. The department shall inform the Chairmen of the House Appropriations Committee and the Senate Finance Committee of all planned new land acquisitions."

Explanation:

(This amendment modifies language included by the General Assembly to limit the acceptance of additional lands for State Parks or Natural Area Preserves. Companion amendments in DCR's Capital Outlay appropriations in Part 2 of the budget eliminate similar limitations of State Park and Natural Area Preserves expansions.)

Chief Patron: Fariss

Item 370 #1h

Natural Resources

Department of Game and Inland Fisheries

Language

Language:

Page 331, line 41, at the beginning of the line insert "A."

Page 331, after line 43, insert:

"B. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Board of the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries is directed to reduce, by July 1, 2019, hunting fees as follows:

1. Fox hunting and non-resident fox hunting fees and preserve hunting fees shall be reduced by 50 percent below levels imposed as of January 1, 2018;
2. Sportsman licenses shall be reduced by 26 percent below levels imposed as of January 1, 2018; and
3. All youth and junior qualifications, which shall include all persons 18 years of age or younger, shall be reduced by 33 percent below levels imposed as of January 1, 2018, rounded to the nearest dollar."

Explanation:

(This amendment would direct DGIF to reduce fox hunting and non-resident fox hunting fees and preserve hunting fees by 50%; sportsman licenses by 26%, and change youth and junior qualifications for those 18 years old or younger. All yearly fees for youth and junior license would be reduced by 33%, rounded to the nearest dollar. This is anticipated to reduce nongeneral fund fee revenues generated for the department by approximately \$100,000 each year, which could be absorbed without impacting any of the agency's ongoing programs.)

Chief Patron: Gilbert

Item 363 #7h

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Co-Patron(s): Landes

Natural Resources	FY18-19	FY19-20	
Department of Conservation and Recreation	\$167,548 1.00	\$198,752 2.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 325, line 29, strike "\$62,377,449" and insert "\$62,544,997".

Page 325, line 29, strike "\$61,354,690" and insert "\$61,553,442".

Page 326, after line 49, insert:

"H. Included in the amount for this item is \$167,548 and one FTE position the first year and \$198,752 and two FTE positions the second year from the general fund to support the limited operation of Seven Bends State Park."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to support the limited opening of Seven Bends State Park. Funds would be used to provide minimal staffing and recreational facilities such as hiking trails, gravel parking areas, signage, and two water access points for visitors to have hand launch facilities for canoes and kayaks. In fiscal year 2015 \$2.2 million was provided for the removal of several dilapidated buildings and for the construction of parking and recreational areas and the development of river access. This activity will be completed by the end of the upcoming biennium. Not funding the request for operational costs would result in the Park not opening for public access even after the investment in capital improvements have been made.)

Chief Patron: Gooditis

Item 88 #1h

Agriculture and Forestry	FY18-19	FY19-20	
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	\$1,750,000	\$1,750,000	GF

Language:

Page 74, line 26, strike "\$21,164,204" and insert "\$22,914,204".

Page 74, line 26, strike "\$21,164,204" and insert "\$22,914,204".

Page 75, line 30, strike "\$250,000" and "\$250,000" and insert:

"\$2,000,000" and "\$2,000,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment increases annual funding for the Office of Farmland Preservation's matching program for the purchase of development rights from \$250,000 from the general fund each year to \$2.0 million each year.)

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Chief Patron: Gooditis

Item 374 #2h

Natural Resources	FY18-19	FY19-20	
Department of Historic Resources	\$25,000	\$25,000	GF

Language:

Page 332, line 42, strike "\$6,954,668" and insert "\$6,979,668".

Page 332, line 42, strike "\$6,854,668" and insert "\$6,879,668".

Page 334, after line 18, insert:

"L. Included in the amounts in this item is \$25,000 the first year and \$25,000 the second year to support the work of a Virginia Department of Historic Resources stakeholder work group established pursuant to the provisions of House Bill 606, 2018 Session of the General Assembly, to study the efficiency of the review process as it is used in telecommunications projects with regard to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the effects of certain projects upon historic properties in association with Federal Communications Commission applications."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$25,000 from the general fund each year to support the implementation of the provisions of House Bill 606, 2018 Session of the General Assembly, relating to Department of Historic Resources' reviews of telecommunications projects. The group would submit its report to the General Assembly by and to report its findings to the General Assembly no later than November 1, 2018.)

Chief Patron: Habeeb

Item 374 #5h

Natural Resources	FY18-19	FY19-20	
Department of Historic Resources	\$30,000	\$30,000	GF

Language:

Page 332, line 42, strike "\$6,954,668" and insert "\$6,984,668".

Page 332, line 42, strike "\$6,854,668" and insert "\$6,884,668".

Page 333, line 29, strike "\$2,850" and insert "\$32,850".

Page 333, line 30, strike "\$2,850" and insert "\$32,850".

Page 333, line 31, after "cemeteries.", insert:

"Any funds not dispersed for eligible grave maintenance shall be retained by the Department of Historic Resources and distributed at the discretion of the department to grants for maintenance, renovation, repair or reconstruction of cemeteries or graves or to erect and care for markers, memorials and monuments."

Explanation:

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(This amendment provides \$30,000 each year from the general fund to supports the provision of funding \$5.00 per year per grave for Revolutionary War graves. It implements the provisions of House Bill 153, 2018 Session of the General Assembly, which increases the number of recognized graves from 150 up to a maximum of 6,000. The Virginia Society, Sons of the American Revolution, have identified 4,200 of such graves and any funds not dispersed to the group would be retained by the Department of Historic Resources and distributed at the discretion of the department to grants for maintenance, renovation, repair or reconstruction of cemeteries or graves or to erect and care for markers, memorials and monuments.)

Chief Patron: Hodges

Item 376 #1h

Natural Resources

FY18-19

FY19-20

Marine Resources Commission

\$7,416,469

\$7,416,469 NGF

Language:

Page 334, line 37, strike "\$20,187,803" and insert "\$27,604,272".

Page 334, line 37, strike "\$20,187,803" and insert "\$27,604,272".

Page 335, after line 31, insert:

"I. Included in this appropriation is \$7,416,469 the first year and \$7,416,469 the second year of nongeneral funds derived from unrefunded marine fuels tax collections that are to be utilized to support the enhancement of commercial waterways through the Virginia Waterway Maintenance Grant Program."

Explanation:

(This amendment dedicates an estimated \$7.4 million from unrefunded motor fuel collections to the Marine Resources Commission for the Virginia Waterway Maintenance Grant Program. Currently those funds are transferred to the general fund to help balance the state budget and offset the costs of Chesapeake Bay clean up. A companion amendment to Item 3-1.01 C. eliminates the transfer from the Department of Motor Vehicles to the General Fund, reducing general fund resources by a like amount.)

Chief Patron: Hodges

Item 3-1.01 #1h

Transfers

Interfund Transfers

Language

Language:

Page 461, after line 22, insert:

"FF. On or before June 30 each year, the State Comptroller shall transfer, from such funds collected pursuant to § 58.1-2289 D., Code of Virginia, \$1,500,000 to the Commonwealth Port Fund for support of the enhancement of commercial waterways through the Virginia Waterway

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Maintenance Grant Program pursuant to § 62.12-132.3:4."

Explanation:

(This amendment transfers \$1.5 million of revenues generated from unrefunded motor fuels tax for watercraft to the Virginia Port Authority to support the enhancement of commercial waterways through the Virginia Waterway Maintenance Grant Program pursuant to § 62.12-132.3:4. Since 2003, a constant amount of \$7.4 million annually, representing the estimate of such unrefunded fuels taxes, has been transferred to the general fund to offset the costs of improvements to the quality of the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries.)

Chief Patron: Hodges

Item 3-1.01 #2h

Transfers

Interfund Transfers

Language

Language:

Page 457, strike lines 6 through 10.

Explanation:

(This amendment eliminates a transfer of \$7.4 million of estimated revenues generated by unrefunded marine fuels tax each year that currently is used to balance the general fund budget and offset the costs of Chesapeake Bay clean up. A companion amendment to Item 376 appropriates these amounts for the enhancement of commercial waterways through the Virginia Waterway Maintenance Grant Program. Adjustments to the front page would be required to reflect the general fund revenue loss.)

Chief Patron: Ingram

Item 362 #1h

Natural Resources

FY18-19

FY19-20

Department of Conservation and Recreation

\$11,785,700

\$11,785,700 GF

Language:

Page 322, line 44, strike "\$58,023,080" and insert "\$69,808,780".

Page 322, line 44, strike "\$35,490,781" and insert "\$47,276,481".

Page 323, line 12, strike "\$7,191,091" and "\$7,191,091" and insert: "\$12,802,491" and "\$12,802,491".

Page 323, line 18, strike "\$6,209,091" and "\$6,209,091" and insert: "\$11,820,491" and "\$11,820,491".

Page 323, after line 39, insert:

"3. In addition to the amounts provided to the Soil and Water Conservation Districts in

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paragraphs A.1., B.2. and D.3 of this item, \$6,174,300 in the first year and \$6,174,300 in the second year from the general fund is provided to support additional technical assistance needs associated with supporting the Virginia Agricultural Cost Share and Resource Management Plan programs."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides an additional \$11.8 million each year from the general fund to fully fund the operating costs and technical assistance costs of Virginia's 47 soil and water conservation districts, who have not seen an increase in operating funds since 2011 while costs have continued to increase. Districts are the local program delivery mechanisms for nonpoint source pollution control throughout the Commonwealth. Currently the district appropriation is \$7.2 million. These funds support district administrative and technical staff to address on-going, technical assistance requests such as those for the Virginia Agricultural Cost Share Program, Resource Management Plan Program, dam safety, stream bank stabilization, soil inventories, ponds, assistance to non-agricultural property owners, etc. To meet the current program needs requires an annual increase of \$5.6 million.

Technical assistance currently is partially funded through district operations but is primarily funded by a percentage of the Virginia Agricultural Cost Share Program appropriations. A recent study by the Department of Conservation and Recreation indicated that all of the technical assistance should be funded as district operations rather than from the cost share appropriations which vary widely from year to year. Stable funding is needed to keep qualified, trained employees working for the 47 districts. The technical assistance funding needs to support the Virginia Agricultural Cost Share Program and Resource Management Plan Program is \$6.2 million per year.)

Chief Patron: James

Item 366 #1h

Co-Patron(s): Convirs-Fowler, Heretick, Leftwich, Stolle, Turpin

Natural Resources	FY18-19	FY19-20	
Department of Environmental Quality	\$200,000	\$203,000	GF
	0.75	0.75	FTE

Language:

Page 327, line 36, strike "\$43,789,387" and insert "\$43,989,387".

Page 327, line 36, strike "\$43,789,387" and insert "\$43,992,387".

Page 328, after line 38, insert:

"H. Out of the appropriation for this item, \$200,000 the first year and \$203,000 the second year and 0.75 FTE positions from the general fund are provided to support a collaborative effort between the Department of Environmental Quality, Old Dominion University, the College of William and Mary's Virginia Institute of Marine Science and the non-profit Elizabeth River Project to prepare a "State of the River Scorecard 2020" to evaluate the pollution levels and

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health of the Elizabeth River."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$200,000 the first year, \$203,000 the second year and 0.75 FTEs from the general fund to support the update of the "State of the River Scorecard" for the Elizabeth River. A joint non-profit, government and higher education effort undertaken every six years to evaluate the health of the Elizabeth River, this review has been essential in guiding one of the most dramatic turnarounds of any river on the Chesapeake Bay. From being presumed dead, to leading the bay in oysters and de-listed as impaired in some areas, the Elizabeth River is an urban river success story. The scorecard serves as an education tool and essential guide to identifying the river's needs and trends. A temporary DEQ hire will oversee the university studies to evaluate fish health and pollution levels.)

Chief Patron: James

Item 374 #4h

Co-Patron(s): Hayes, Helsel, Heretick, Lindsey, Ward

Natural Resources

FY18-19

FY19-20

Department of Historic Resources

\$64,400

\$64,400

GF

Language:

Page 332, line 42, strike "\$6,954,668" and insert "\$7,019,068".

Page 332, line 42, strike "\$6,854,668" and insert "\$6,919,068".

Page 334, after line 14, insert:

"3. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 10.1-2211.2, Code of Virginia, included in this item is \$64,400 the first year and \$64,400 the second year from the general fund to support the preservation and care of historic African American Graves at the Mount Calvary Cemetery in Portsmouth. Of this amount, \$1,500 in the first year and \$1,500 in the second year from the general fund would be allocated for routine maintenance of the graves, \$13,400 in the first year and \$13,400 in the second year from the general fund would be used to reset 67 stones per year, and \$49,500 the first year and \$49,500 the second year from the general fund would be used to repair 66 stones per year."

Explanation:

(This amendment supports the provisions of House Bill 527, 2018 Session of the General Assembly, to provide for the maintenance and preservation of historic African American Graves in Portsmouth, Virginia. Funding requested includes the standard annual maintenance cost authorized in Code as well as funding to restore and reset gravestones in the cemetery.)

Chief Patron: Kilgore

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Natural Resources	FY18-19	FY19-20	
Department of Conservation and Recreation	\$209,532 1.00	\$159,252 1.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 325, line 29, strike "\$62,377,449" and insert "\$62,586,981".

Page 325, line 29, strike "\$61,354,690" and insert "\$61,513,942".

Page 326, line 35, after "provided." insert:

"Included in the amounts for this item is \$209,532 and one FTE position from the general fund in the first year for start-up costs and \$159,252 from the general fund in the second year for ongoing operational funding for the Daniel Boone Wilderness Trail Interpretive Center."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides start-up and operational costs for the Daniel Boone Wilderness Trail Interpretive Center that is being transferred to the Department of Conservation and Recreation to operate as a satellite of the nearby Natural Tunnel State Park in 2018. The DBWTIC will enable visitors to understand how settlers who came through the region united themselves to create a new and distinctly unique culture that ultimately defined America. The funds will cover first year start-up costs, one FTE position, ongoing operational costs and 3 wage positions. The project has been supported and developed by a broad coalition including Scott County, VCEDA, the Appalachian Regional Commission, VDOT, the Virginia Tobacco Commission, Scenic Byways, the Virginia Tourism Corporation and Eastman Credit Union. The Center will provide tourism promotion and create a significant economic impact to the region through the presentation of this story and the promotion of state, local and regional tourism assets.)

Chief Patron: Kilgore

Item 363 #4h

Natural Resources	FY18-19	FY19-20	
Department of Conservation and Recreation	\$4,981,883 63.00	\$4,981,883 63.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 325, line 29, strike "\$62,377,449" and insert "\$67,359,332".

Page 325, line 29, strike "\$61,354,690" and insert "\$66,336,573".

Page 326, after line 49, insert:

"H. 1. The Director of the Department of Conservation and Recreation and the Secretary of Natural Resources, in consultation with the Chairmen of the House Appropriations, Senate Finance and House and Senate Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources Committees, shall develop a plan to fully and adequately fund all of the Commonwealth of Virginia's State Parks. This shall include, but is not limited to, fully funding the operations, maintenance and staffing of all Virginia State Parks. An interim report on the progress of such plan shall be

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completed and transmitted to the General Assembly no later than November 15, 2018, with a final plan to be submitted no later than November 15, 2019.

2. Included in the amounts for this item is \$4,981,883 in the first year and \$4,981,883 in the second year and 63.00 FTE positions from the general fund to supplement current funding levels for the State Parks. Of this amount, \$2,841,017 in the first year and \$2,841,017 in the second year from the general fund is provided to fund the additional full-time equivalent positions and \$2,140,856 in the first year and \$2,140,856 in the second year from the general fund is provided to fund the backlog of routine maintenance projects for parks buildings, grounds and equipment."

Explanation:

(This amendment seeks to address needs identified by the Virginia Association of Parks for additional staffing and capital improvements at Virginia's state parks and provides \$4.98 million each year from the general fund to address such purpose. It also directs the DCR director and the Secretary of Natural Resources to develop a plan to fully fund all of the Commonwealth's state parks.)

Chief Patron: Knight

Item 374 #1h

Co-Patron(s): Landes

Natural Resources

FY18-19

FY19-20

Department of Historic Resources

\$1,500,000

\$1,500,000

GF

Language:

Page 332, line 42, strike "\$6,954,668" and insert "\$8,454,668".

Page 332, line 42, strike "\$6,854,668" and insert "\$8,354,668".

Page 333, line 48, strike "\$1,000,000" and "\$1,000,000" and insert: "\$2,500,000" and "\$2,500,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment increases funding by \$1.5 million each year from the general fund for the Virginia Battlefield Preservation Fund. The proposed funding would support land acquisition projects in Virginia that need to be completed to avoid further development and upcoming closing dates. There are a number of land tracts that are targeted: Chancellorsville and Spotsylvania Court House - Johnson Tract, Spotsylvania Court House - Gallahan Tract, Fussell's Mill - Pepmeier Tract, New Market Heights - Rock Tract, Cold Harbor - Shrewsbury Tract, Glendale - Atkins Tract, Ware Bottom Church - Wells Tract, Sailors Creek - Sailors Creek, LLC Tract, Williamsburg - Egger Tract, The Wilderness - Lyons Tract, Brandy Station - Brandy Rock Tract, and Rappahannock Station - Culpeper Crossing tract.)

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Chief Patron: Krizek

Item 363 #2h

Co-Patron(s): Peace, Plum, Sickles, Watts

Natural Resources	FY18-19	FY19-20	
Department of Conservation and Recreation	\$0	\$11,500,000	GF

Language:

Page 325, line 29, strike "\$61,354,690" and insert "\$72,854,690".

Page 325, line 44, strike "\$4,500,000" and insert "\$16,000,000".

Page 325, line 45, after "Code of Virginia." insert:

"The Virginia Land Conservation Foundation shall complete a grant competition for the fiscal year 2020 appropriation prior to December 31, 2018 and shall inform the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees of all project proposals and their respective priority rankings prior to January 15, 2019. Fiscal year 2020 grants shall not be awarded until after July 1, 2019."

Explanation:

(This amendment would increase the second year funding for the Virginia Land Conservation Foundation to the amount called for in House Bill 1398 of the 2013 Session of the General Assembly, which set forth amounts for the land programs based on underutilization of the land preservation tax credits available. It also include language requiring the VLCF to conduct a grant competition for the entire \$16.0 million fiscal year 2020 appropriation prior to December 31, 2018, thereby allowing the General Assembly to see the proposed projects and how they rank prior to the grants actually being released in July 2019.)

Chief Patron: Landes

Item 90 #1h

Co-Patron(s): Edmunds, Wilt

Agriculture and Forestry	FY18-19	FY19-20	
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	\$125,000	\$125,000	GF

Language:

Page 76, line 14, strike "\$3,388,746" and insert "\$3,513,746".

Page 76, line 14, strike "\$3,388,746" and insert "\$3,513,746".

Page 76, after the beginning of line 22, insert "A."

Page 76, after line 25, insert:

"B. Out of the amounts in this item, \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the second year from the general fund shall be deposited to the Beehive Grant Fund established pursuant to § 3.2-

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4415, Code of Virginia."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$125,000 to the Beehive Grant Fund in each year of the biennium. The General Assembly established the program in 2012 to increase the honey bee population in Virginia. Since that time, VDACS has issued 730 grants across the Commonwealth. Budget reductions in fiscal year 2015 and fiscal year 2017 resulted in transfers out of the Fund. The balance available for grants is now \$17,500. VDACS has 660 pending applications that are eligible for reimbursement despite the lack of funding. This amendment restores the initial annual appropriation of \$125,000.)

Chief Patron: Landes

Item 98 #2h

Co-Patron(s): Cox

Agriculture and Forestry

FY18-19

FY19-20

Department of Forestry

\$100,000

\$100,000 GF

Language:

Page 79, line 1, strike "\$33,970,018" and insert "\$34,070,018".

Page 79, line 1, strike "\$33,734,018" and insert "\$33,834,018".

Page 80, after line 9, insert:

"J. Out of this appropriation, \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the second year from the general fund is provided for the Natural Resources Leadership Institute."

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$100,000 from the general fund in each year of the biennium to support the Virginia Natural Resources Leadership Institute. These funds will be used to 1. provide full scholarships, including travel, for emerging leaders from underserved populations to attend VNRLI to study ways to gain leadership and collaborative problems solving skills, provide important networking opportunities, address challenging environmental issues in Virginia; 2. enhance the level of professionalism through improved elements such as greater access to speakers, trainers, and meeting space; and 3. catalyze the VNRLI alumni network of 450 plus professionals in industry, nonprofit and government sectors to address Virginia's toughest natural resources issues. Funding would be provided to the Department of Forestry, who partners with the Department of Conservation and Recreation, the Department of Environmental Quality, the Department of Game and Inland Fishers, the Virginia Cooperative Extension at Virginia Tech and the University of Virginia's Institute for Environmental Negotiation.)

Chief Patron: Landes

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Natural Resources	FY18-19	FY19-20	
Department of Conservation and Recreation	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	GF

Language:

Page 322, line 44, strike "\$58,023,080" and insert "\$68,023,080".

Page 322, line 44, strike "\$35,490,781" and insert "\$45,490,781".

Page 324, after line 6, insert:

"4. In addition to the amounts provided in paragraphs B.1, B.2. and D. of this item, \$10,000,000 the first year and \$10,000,000 the second year from the general fund shall be transferred to the Virginia Natural Resources Commitment Fund, a subfund of the Virginia Water Quality Improvement Fund, and be dispersed by the department pursuant to § 10.1-2128.1, Code of Virginia. Out of this amount, \$1,200,000 the first year and \$1,200,000 the second year shall be appropriated to Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Districts for technical assistance to farmers implementing agricultural best management practices, and \$8,800,000 the first year and \$8,800,000 the second year for Agricultural Best Management Practices Cost-Share Assistance. Of the amount deposited for Cost-Share Assistance, distributions between watersheds shall be in accordance with the allocation percentages set out in § 10.1-2128.1 B., Code of Virginia."

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$8.8 million each year for Ag BMP cost share assistance as \$1.2 million for technical assistance to Soil and Water Conservation Districts. This request would enact a recommendation from "An Evaluation of Methods to Stabilize the Fluctuations in Funding for Agricultural Best Management Practices," which proposed providing a base of \$35.0 million each year for Ag BMP cost share practices and the corresponding technical assistance costs.)

Chief Patron: Landes

Item 362 #5h

Co-Patron(s): Peace

Natural Resources	FY18-19	FY19-20	
Department of Conservation and Recreation	\$100,000 1.00	\$200,000 2.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 322, line 44, strike "\$58,023,080" and insert "\$58,123,080".

Page 322, line 44, strike "\$35,490,781" and insert "\$35,690,781".

Page 325, after line 28, insert:

"P. Out of the amounts appropriated in this item, \$100,000 and one FTE position the first year, and \$200,000 and two FTE positions the second year, from the general fund is provided to fund additional engineering staff to support the 47 Soil and Water Conservation Districts."

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Explanation:

(This amendment provides funding to phase-in the hiring of two additional field engineers at the Department of Conservation and Recreation to support the continued need for engineering assistance to design and install best management practices across Virginia's 47 local soil and water conservation districts. DCR currently has only one engineer and one engineering technician to support the 47 districts which is insufficient to meet the needs across the state. In the past the districts have relied in part on federal engineering support, but this has been reduced, resulting in a backlog of engineering for currently approved practices.)

Chief Patron: Landes

Item 362 #8h

Natural Resources

FY18-19

FY19-20

Department of Conservation and Recreation

\$10,000,000

\$10,000,000 NGF

Language:

Page 322, line 44, strike "\$58,023,080" and insert "\$68,023,080".

Page 322, line 44, strike "\$35,490,781" and insert "\$45,490,781".

Page 324, line 10, strike "\$10,000,000" and "\$10,000,000" and insert: "\$20,000,000" and "\$20,000,000".

Page 324, line 14, strike "\$10,000,000" and "\$10,000,000" and insert: "\$20,000,000" and "\$20,000,000".

Page 324, line 17, strike "\$1,200,000" and insert "\$2,400,000".

Page 324, line 19, strike "\$8,800,000" and insert "\$17,600,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment reflects the deposit of the full \$20.00 recordation fee collected on each deed recorded and distributes such funds for the Natural Resources Commitment Fund (NRCF) for technical assistance for soil and water conservation districts and for agricultural best management practices. A companion amendment to Item 3-6.01 reduces the general fund by \$10.0 million each year reflecting the transfer of the fifty percent of revenues currently dedicated to the general fund to the NRCF. The intent is to provide a more reliable and stable source of funding for these activities, which are reliant on the variable deposits to the Water Quality Improvement Fund that depend on year-end revenue surpluses and agency balances.)

Chief Patron: Landes

Item 368 #1h

Natural Resources

FY18-19

FY19-20

Department of Environmental Quality

\$25,000,000

\$25,000,000 GF

Language:

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Page 329, line 23, strike "\$61,313,511" and insert "\$86,313,511".

Page 329, line 23, strike "\$61,313,511" and insert "\$86,313,511".

Page 329, line 54, after "2015 Acts of Assembly" insert:

"amounts totaling \$25,000,000 the first year and \$25,000,000 the second year from the general fund authorized in this item by the 2018 Session of the General Assembly,".

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$25.0 million in general fund support for the Stormwater Local Assistance Fund established by the 2013 Acts of Assembly. To date, \$80.0 million in cash and bonds have been provided for this purpose.)

Chief Patron: Landes

Item 3-1.01 #4h

Transfers

Interfund Transfers

Language

Language:

Page 457, after line 10, insert:

"Notwithstanding the provisions of § 58.1-2289 D., Code of Virginia, any amounts generated by unrefunded motor fuels sales taxes for watercraft in excess of \$7,416,469 the first year and \$7,416,469 the second year shall be deposited to the Natural Resources Commitment Fund, a subfund of the Water Quality Improvement Fund as established in § 10.1-2128.1, Code of the Virginia. The funds deposited to this subfund shall be disbursed for agricultural best management practices pursuant to § 10.1-2128.1, Code of the Virginia. The Director, Department of Planning and Budget, is directed to develop an estimate of the total amount of unrefunded motor fuels sales taxes for watercraft in order to accurately estimate amounts to be dispersed according to this provision.)

Explanation:

(This amendment directs all unrefunded marine fuels not directed to the general fund to be deposited to the Natural Resources Commitment Fund and be used for agricultural best management practices.)

Chief Patron: Landes

Item 3-6.01 #1h

Adjustments and Modifications to Fees

Recordation Tax Fee

Language

Language:

Page 469, line 18, after "Virginia." strike:

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"The revenue generated from fifty percent of such fee shall be deposited to the general fund."
Page 469, line 19, strike "the other fifty percent of".

Explanation:

(This amendment directs 100 percent of the revenues generated from the \$20.00 fee on the recordation of all deeds to the Natural Resources Commitment Fund (NRCF) for agricultural best management practices. Currently 50 percent of such funds are dedicated to the NRCF and 50 percent are retained by the general fund. This would generate an estimated \$10.0 million additional each year to support the agricultural best management practices cost share program and appropriate technical assistance and provide a more stable source of revenue for these activities. A companion amendment to Item 362 distributes the additional funding.)

Chief Patron: LaRock

Item 374 #3h

Natural Resources	FY18-19	FY19-20	
Department of Historic Resources	\$25,000	\$0	GF

Language:

Page 332, line 42, strike "\$6,954,668" and insert "\$6,979,668".

Page 334, after line 18, insert:

"L. Included in the amounts in this item is \$25,000 the first year to support the work of a Virginia Department of Historic Resources stakeholder work group established pursuant to the provisions of House Bill 656, 2018 Session of the General Assembly, to study the efficiency of the review process as it is used in telecommunications projects with regard to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the effects of certain projects upon historic properties in association with Federal Communications Commission applications."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$25,000 from the general fund in the first year to support the implementation of the provisions of House Bill 656, 2018 Session of the General Assembly, relating to Department of Historic Resources' reviews of telecommunications projects. The group would submit its report to the General Assembly by and to report its findings to the General Assembly no later than November 1, 2018.)

Chief Patron: Lopez

Item 365 #1h

Natural Resources	FY18-19	FY19-20	
Department of Environmental Quality	\$190,000	\$190,000	GF
	2.00	2.00	FTE

Language:

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Page 327, line 12, strike "\$27,643,388" and insert "\$27,833,388".

Page 327, line 12, strike "\$27,643,388" and insert "\$27,833,388".

Page 327, after line 35, insert:

"C. Out of the amounts for this appropriation, \$190,000 in the first year and \$190,000 in the second year and two FTE positions shall be provided from the general fund to create an inventory of nonfederally managed hazardous waste sites in the Commonwealth."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$190,000 and two FTE positions each year at the Department of Environmental Quality to support the implementation of House Bill 952, 2018 Session of the General Assembly, which requires the development of an inventory of nonfederally managed hazardous waste sites.)

Chief Patron: Miyares

Item 366 #2h

Natural Resources

FY18-19

FY19-20

Department of Environmental Quality

\$500,000

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 327, line 36, strike "\$43,789,387" and insert "\$44,289,387".

Page 328, after line 38, insert:

"H. Included in the appropriation for this item is \$500,000 the first year from the general fund for the department to evaluate environmental concerns in the upper reaches of Buchanan Creek, a tributary of the Western Branch of the Lynnhaven River in Virginia Beach. The study should address: (i) adequacy of the channel; (ii) evaluation of shoreline deterioration; (iii) and potential contamination from Birchwood Gardens former private sewage treatment facility. The study may require but not be limited to: an evaluation of historical land use records; permits; water quality testing and monitoring; soil sampling and other environmental testing and evaluation as required. The report will include recommendations for any corrective action as determined to be necessary and shall be submitted to the Governor and the General Assembly no later than October 1, 2019."

Explanation:

(This amendment directs DEQ to undertake an environmental evaluation of the upper reaches of Buchanan Creek, a tributary of the Lynnhaven River, and provides \$500,000 from the general fund in the first year for the conduct of such work.)

Chief Patron: Peace

Item 368 #3h

Natural Resources

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Department of Environmental Quality

Language

Language:

Page 330, after line 51, insert:

"I. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any site or area with common plans of development or sale with land-disturbance acreage equal to or great than 100 acres shall have the voluntary option of requesting an expedited storm water review after payment of a fee totaling \$30,000. If such an expedited review is requested, it shall be completed within 45, exclusive of any time require for the applicant to respond to questions from the department. The revenues collected in excess of what would be generated by the typical, unexpedited \$9,600 fee, shall be used only to increase staffing levels required to review expedited review requests."

Explanation:

(This amendment authorizes the establishment of a voluntary \$30,000 fee to be used to expedite review of stormwater impacts of large land disturbing development. The review time would be reduced from 180 days to 45 days, and any revenue generated would be used to cover the staffing costs associated with the expedited review process.)

Chief Patron: Peace

Item 370 #2h

Natural Resources

Department of Game and Inland Fisheries

Language

Language:

Page 331, at the beginning of line 31, insert "A."

Page 331, after line 33, insert:

"B. Out of the nongeneral fund amounts contained in this item, the department shall allocated \$5,000 in the first year in support of the Pamunkey and Mattaponi Fish Hatchery program."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$5,000 of the nongeneral fund revenues of the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries to the Pamunkey and Mattaponi fish hatchery program.)

Chief Patron: Pillion

Item 363 #1h

Natural Resources

FY18-19

FY19-20

Department of Conservation and Recreation

\$112,500

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 325, line 29, strike "\$62,377,449" and insert "\$62,489,949".

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Page 326, line 14, after "Park." insert:

"In addition to these amounts provided for operations and maintenance, an additional \$112,500 the first year from the general fund is appropriated to undertake emergency repairs at the Breaks Interstate Park dam."

Explanation:

(This amendment would provide \$112,500 from the general fund in the first year to the Department of Conservation and Recreation for replacement of the emergency drain system widening of the primary spillway, and deletion of the two pressurized waterlines by filling them with concrete at the Breaks Interstate Park dam. Full costs of the project are estimated at \$250,000.)

Chief Patron: Poindexter

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Agriculture and Forestry

FY18-19

FY19-20

Department of Forestry

\$112,000

\$112,000 GF

Language:

Page 79, line 1, strike "\$33,970,018" and insert "\$34,082,018".

Page 79, line 1, strike "\$33,734,018" and insert "\$33,846,018".

Page 79, line 30, strike "\$1,833,239" and "\$1,833,239" and insert:

"\$1,945,226" and "\$1,945,226".

Explanation:

(This amendment adds \$112,000 each year of the biennium to fully match industry contributions to the Reforestation of Timberlands program fund, bringing total annual general fund amounts to \$1.95 million.)

Chief Patron: Poindexter

Item 368 #2h

Natural Resources

FY18-19

FY19-20

Department of Environmental Quality

\$319,200

\$0 GF

Language:

Page 329, line 23, strike "\$61,313,511" and insert "\$61,632,711".

Page 330, after line 51, insert:

"I. Out of the amounts appropriated in this item is \$319,200 the first year from the general fund to retire debt and interest incurred by the W.E. Skelton 4-H Educational Conference Center at Smith Mountain Lake to comply with a consent order to replace the wastewater system at the facility."

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Explanation:

(This amendment would retire debt and interest incurred by W. E. Skelton 4-H Educational Conference Center at Smith Mountain Lake. In 2001, the 4-H Center voluntarily agreed to a consent order from DEQ to replace the lagoon wastewater system with a modern system, which was completed in 2005. In 2006, the General Assembly appropriated \$375,000 to pay for half of the Center's costs, and it was anticipated that the state would complete the other half, \$375,000, in 2007. That did not materialize. In 2013 the General Assembly appropriated an additional \$80,000. The Center has been burdened with this debt and interest load since 2007, hindering its ability to deliver its products. It is important to note that the lagoon system was directed and permitted by DEQ, which then changed the requirements.)

Chief Patron: Rasoul

Item 362 #7h

Natural Resources

FY18-19

FY19-20

Department of Conservation and Recreation

\$500,000

\$500,000 GF

Language:

Page 322, line 44, strike "\$58,023,080" and insert "\$58,523,080".

Page 322, line 44, strike "\$35,490,781" and insert "\$35,990,781".

Page 325, after line 28, insert:

"P. Out of the appropriation for this item, \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to support the establishment of the Virginia Urban Retrofit Best Management Practices Cost Share Program as a means of addressing the Watershed Improvement Program and Total Maximum Daily Load requirements."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides \$500,000 general fund each year to support the establishment of a statewide Virginia Urban Retrofit Best Management Practices Cost Share program, to be administered by the soil and water conservation districts. This program has been operating as a grant-funded pilot program within the Chesapeake Bay region and to date, \$1.25 million has been allocated in cost share and \$129,000 in technical assistance for the Virginia Cost Share Assistance Program (VCAP) program. Virginia's Phase II Watershed Implementation Plan recognizes the need for urban/residential BMPs to address next phase water quality improvement.)

Chief Patron: Stolle

Item 361.10 #1h

Natural Resources

FY18-19

FY19-20

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Secretary of Natural Resources	\$500,000 3.00	\$500,000 3.00	GF FTE
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Language:

Page 322, after line 42, insert:

"361.10 Secretary of Coastal Protection and Flooding Adaptation	\$500,000	\$500,000	
Fund Sources: General	\$500,000	\$500,000 "	

Page 322, after line 42, insert:

"Pursuant to the provisions of § 2.2-203.4, Code of Virginia, there is hereby established a Secretary of Coastal Protection and Flooding Adaptation. The Secretary shall be responsible for consolidating into a single office the resources for coastal flooding threats and adaptation. The Secretary also shall be the lead in providing direction, ensuring accountability, and developing a statewide coastal flooding adaptation strategy. The Secretary, in cooperation with the Secretary of Natural Resources, shall identify sources of funding for needed implementation of strategies for coastal protection and flooding adaptation."

Explanation:

(This amendment implements the provisions of House Bill 345, which establishes a new cabinet Secretary of Coastal Protection and Flooding Adaptation. The Secretary shall be responsible for economic development and job creation associated with the implementation of adaptation strategies. The Secretary also shall be the lead in providing direction, ensuring accountability, and developing a statewide coastal flooding adaptation strategy. The Secretary, in cooperation with the Secretary of Natural Resources, shall identify sources of funding for needed implementation of strategies for coastal protection and flooding adaptation. Funding for this new office shall be transferred from funds available pursuant to a proposal to eliminate the Secretary of Technology.)

Chief Patron: Turpin

Item 368 #4h

Natural Resources	FY18-19	FY19-20	
Department of Environmental Quality	\$95,000 1.00	\$95,000 1.00	GF FTE

Language:

Page 329, line 23, strike "\$61,313,511" and insert "\$61,408,511".

Page 329, line 23, strike "\$61,313,511" and insert "\$61,408,511".

Page 330 after line 51, insert:

"I. Included in the appropriation for this item is \$95,000 in the first year and \$95,000 in the

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second year and one FTE position from the general fund to implement the provisions of House Bill 1344, 2018 Session of the General Assembly."

Explanation:

(This amendment authorizes \$95,000 and one FTE position from the general fund each year to monitor and manage provisions of the Virginia Alternative Energy and Coastal Protection Act established pursuant to House Bill 1344, 2018 Session of the General Assembly. This would include usage of the Commonwealth Resilience Fund and allocation of Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative allowances.)

Chief Patron: Webert

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Natural Resources

FY18-19

FY19-20

Department of Conservation and Recreation

\$57,480,000

\$57,480,000 GF

Language:

Page 322, line 44, strike "\$58,023,080" and insert "\$115,503,080".

Page 322, line 44, strike "\$35,490,781" and insert "\$92,970,781".

Page 324 after line 6, insert:

"4. In addition to the amounts appropriated in paragraphs B.1. and B.2. of this item, \$57,480,000 the first year and \$57,480,000 the second year from the general fund shall be transferred to the Virginia Natural Resources Commitment Fund, a subfund of the Water Quality Improvement Fund. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the funds shall be distributed by the department upon approval of the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board in accordance with the Board's developed policies as follows: \$50,600,000 the first year and \$50,600,000 the second year shall be used for matching grants for Agricultural Best Management Practices, of which \$30,360,000 each year shall be used for projects on lands in the Commonwealth exclusively or partly with the Chesapeake Bay watershed, \$20,240,000 each year for projects on lands in the Commonwealth outside the Chesapeake Bay watershed, and \$6,880,000 the first year and \$6,880,000 the second year shall be made available for Technical Assistance for Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Districts."

Explanation:

(This amendment provides adequate funding for the agriculture best management practices cost share program in fiscal year 2019 and fiscal year 2020 to meet the needs identified to meet the Commonwealth's Agriculture Chesapeake Bay and Southern Rivers TMDL water quality goals.)

Chief Patron: Webert

Item 362 #6h

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Natural Resources	FY18-19	FY19-20
Department of Conservation and Recreation	\$150,000	\$150,000 GF

Language:

Page 322, line 44, strike "\$58,023,080" and insert "\$58,173,080".
Page 322, line 44, strike "\$35,490,781" and insert "\$35,640,781".
Page 323, line 12, strike "\$7,191,091" and "\$7,191,091" and insert: "\$7,341,091" and "\$7,341,091".
Page 323, line 23, strike "\$500,000" and insert "\$650,000".
Page 323, line 24, strike "\$500,000" and insert "\$650,000".

Explanation:

(This amendment would increase funding available to make repairs to the 104 small watershed flood control dams in Virginia owned and operated by the soil and water conservation districts by \$150,000 from the general fund each year, bringing total funding to \$650,000 annually. Originally constructed in the 1960s and 1970s many are in need of improvement. Typical improvement projects range in cost from \$6,000 to \$45,000. They include rebuilding critical shoreline on the upstream face of dams, replacing eroded internal piping, modifying spillways to meet current regulations or to insure competency during storm flows, rebuilding training dikes to protect the infrastructure and other similar activities. These projects are focused on cost effective means to extend the functional life of these dams by decades in lieu of full rehabilitation projects that typically range in cost from \$1.2 million to \$2.5 million. At this time there is a \$554,000 backlog of funding need and more is accumulating as a result of engineering surveys.)

Chief Patron: Yancey

Item 87 #1h

Agriculture and Forestry

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Language

Language:

Page 74, after line 24, insert:
"Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no state general funds shall be appropriated to any organization, whether public or private, to carry out any medically unnecessary scientific or medical research that causes significant pain or distress to a dog or cat, which is defined to include any procedure or condition classified under pain and distress Category E. by the Department of Agriculture."

Explanation:

(This amendment prohibits the expenditure of state funds for any non-medically necessary

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procedure that causes significant pain or distress to a dog or cat.)
