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Initiatives

- **Item 62 #1s (Pekarsky)** provides $1.5 million GF each year to fully restore 98 unfunded state positions in local finance directors' offices.

- **Item 103 #2h (Bulova)** provides $20 million general funds (GF) over the biennium for the Urban Public-Private Partnership Redevelopment Fund (UPPPF).

- **Item 103 #13s (Locke)** provides $5 million GF the first year for the UPPPF.

- **Item 125 #10s (Boysko)** requires the Department of Education to calculate prevailing costs using an average instead of the linear weighted average in determining prevailing salaries and costs in the K-12 funding formula (Recommendation 6, "Virginia K-12 Funding Formula", JLARC).

- **Item 125 #14h (Keys-Gamarra)** provides $205 million GF each year to use an average instead of a linear weighted average in determining prevailing salaries and costs in the K-12 funding formula (Recommendation 6, "Virginia K-12 Funding Formula", JLARC).

Priorities – Support

Child Welfare

- **Item 21 #2s (Favola)** directs the Commission on Youth to convene a work group to study local Departments of Social Services' intake procedures for Child Protective Services (CPS) cases. The workgroup will evaluate screen-out referral rates, contributing factors to high screen-out rates, related outcomes, and make recommendations for additional authority for the Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) to initiate corrective actions. (The introduced budget includes a proposal to fund a centralized system to collect child abuse and neglect reports at the state level and to disseminate them to the appropriate local department of social services for response and investigation.)

Children's Services Act (CSA)

- **Item 271 #1s (Boysko)/Item 271 #2s (VanValkenburg)** eliminates the proposed 2.5% rate growth cap on increases to reimbursements to localities for private day educational services.

- **Item 271 #2h (Cohen)** provides $3.4 million in the first year and $3.7 million in the second year from the General Fund (GF) to eliminate the proposed 2.5% rate growth cap on increases to reimbursements to localities for private day educational services.

- **Item 271 #3s (Boysko)** removes the introduced budget proposal to reduce the state's match rate for community-based services, thus preserving the structure of the three-tiered model that was implemented in 2008.

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- **Item 271 #1h (Tran)** provides $10.8 million GF in the first year and $11.8 million GF in the second year to eliminate the reduction of the state match rate for community-based services to 71% from 81%.

Federal Changes to the Safety Net

- **Item 291 #65h (Willett)** adds $1 million GF in FY27 as a placeholder for the impact of H.R. 1 on Medicaid to support workforce development and allow DMAS to make needed changes to comply with new work requirements in the federal legislation.

- **Item 295 #9s (Favola)** provides $1 million GF in FY27 for DMAS to respond to impacts from H.R. 1. Adds language to provide DMAS with emergency authority to make needed changes to comply with new requirements in H.R. 1.

- **Item 338 #2h (Feggans)** provides $1.5 million GF each year for the Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) and the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) to create and submit a plan to modernize their eligibility determination technological systems (HB 66).

- **Item 478 #5h (Tran)** adds $184.9 million GF the first year and language to establish a state-based premium assistance program for Plan Year 2027, targeted to individuals who purchase health insurance on Virginia's Insurance Marketplace.

Housing

- **Item 102 #2s (Ebbin)** provides an additional $112.5 million GF each year for a total of $200 million GF annually for the Virginia Housing Trust Fund.

- **Item 102 #23h (Lopez)** provides an additional $112.5 million GF each year for a total of $200 million GF annually for the Virginia Housing Trust Fund. The language directs up to $30 million to be accredited to the Homeless Reduction Grant Supplemental Deposit Subaccount and excludes these funds from being used to calculate the percentage of Funds dedicated to homelessness service providers. The amendment directs the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) to convene a stakeholder workgroup to review and make recommendations on the administration of the Virginia Housing Trust Fund.

- **Item 102 #8h (Krizek)** provides $3 million in FY27 to provide grants to resident groups wanting to purchase a manufactured home park to pay for due diligence prior to any offer being made by residents.

- **Item 102 #3s, 18s (Boysko)** provides an additional $6.6 million GF each year to increase the appropriation to the Virginia Eviction Reduction Pilot (VERP) to $10 million per year, as well as an additional $3.2 million GF in the second year.

- **Item 102 #9h (Krizek)** provides an additional $13.1 million over the biennium to the VERP, which provides funding to local and regional eviction prevention programs to cover any expenses that will prevent a household from being evicted.

K-12 Funding

- **Item 1 #2s (Favola)** provides $500,000 each year for the Joint Subcommittee on Elementary and Secondary Education Funding. Funds may be used for consultant contracts for data analysis, stakeholder meetings, and studies, including an adequacy study, to inform recommendations and potential funding formula revisions.

- **Item 125 #1s, #7s, #8s (Favola)** provides a combined total of approximately $435 GF million each year for the estimated impact of increasing funding for the at-risk add-on, English Language Learners (ELL), and Special Education add-on as proposed in SB 90 (partial increase based on the JLARC recommendations).

- **Item 125 #4s (Carroll Foy)** provides $120 million in GF each year to support the continued implementation of recommendations from the 2023 JLARC report, "Virginia's K-12 Funding Formula." The intent is to phase in costs over 10 years.

Personal Property Tax on Vehicles (Car Tax)

- **Item 260 #1s (Marsden)** provides $250,000 GF the first year to the Department of Taxation to study the current car tax structure, including how to repeal, reduce, or replace the care tax for local government revenue (**SB 720**).

Supporting Displaced Federal Employees

- **Item 357 #5s (Carroll Foy)** provides $200,000 GF the first year to the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) as Virginia's share to maintain and build out the Talent Capital Initiative, which was established in 2025 to support both jobseekers and employers across Virginia, the District of Columbia, and Maryland with a particular focus on workers navigating transition, including displaced federal employees and federally-connected contractors.

- **Item 357 #3s (Aird)** provides $500,000 GF each year for Virginia Works to develop and implement a program offering comprehensive test preparation, professional licensure preparation, and workforce credentialing at no cost to prospective employees.

Transportation

- **Item 433 #3h (Krizek)/433 #4s (Surovell)** provides around $10 million GF in FY27 to make renovations at Huntington Metrorail Station as part of the new Route 1 Bus Rapid Transit system.

- **Item 433 #4h (Krizek)** provides $20 million GF in the first year to support the demolition of a parking garage at Huntington Metrorail Station.

- **Item 433 #5s (Surovell)** provides $25 million GF the first year to the Department of Rail and Public Transportation to provide a grant to the Virginia Department of Transportation and Fairfax County to complete the construction of roadway improvements and a bus rapid transit system in the U.S. 1 Corridor in Fairfax County.

General Positions - Support

Cannabis

- **Item 491 #1h (Krizek)** provides $1 million NGF each year for administrative costs to the Virginia Cannabis Control Authority.

- **Item 491 #1s (Aird)** provides $6.5 million GF in the first year for Cannabis Control Authority operations for the fiscal impact of SB 542, which establishes an adult-use cannabis marketplace.

Compensation Board

- **Item 60 #1h (Hope)** provides $6.6 million GF each year to provide a 10% Northern Virginia pay differential to deputy sheriffs in the region.

- **Item 60 #1s (Carroll Foy)** provides $6.6 million GF each year for a 10 percent state salary differential for local sheriffs' deputies in Northern Virginia, consistent with many state agencies' current practice.

- **Item 67 #1h (Cole J.)** directs the Compensation Board to factor into the workload calculations for Commissioners of Revenue and Local Finance Directors the work required to review applications for tax exemptions for 100% disabled veterans.

- **Item 106 #1h (Bennett-Parker)** directs the Commission on Local Government at the DHCD to convene a workgroup to evaluate state support for state-supported local employees.

- **Item 471 #1s (Ebbin)** creates a workgroup to study the effects of local subsidization of state-supported local employee positions across the Commonwealth. These employees are in the Health Department, Courts, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sheriff's Office, and the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office.

Developmental Disabilities/Support Coordination

- **Item 301 #4s (Carroll Foy)** provides $3 million GF each year to increase resources to the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Service Board (CSB) for support coordination.

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Early Childhood

- **Item 301 #6h (Willett)/Item 301 #10s (Deeds)** provides $3.4 million in FY27 and $3.5 million in FY28 to increase funding for Virginia's Part C Early Intervention program for infants and toddlers with disabilities.

- **Item 126 #4h (Willett)** provides an additional $245.8 million GF in FY27 and $435.2 million GF in FY28 to support additional child care subsidy slots and to re-benchmark per-child rates to reflect the current estimated cost of quality child care. Of these amounts, (i) $119.4 million each year is provided to eliminate the waitlist for access to the subsidy program, (ii) $189.4 million the second year is provided for additional slots to increase access for eligible families in the second year from 42% to 50%, and (iii) $126.4 million each year is provided to re-benchmark per-child rates for subsidy slots.

- **Item 126 #1s (Favola)** provides an additional $245.8 million GF in FY27 and $435.2 million GF in FY28 to support additional child care subsidy slots. Language specifies that Child Care Subsidy Program and Mixed Delivery costs per child should be biennially re-benchmarked based on the federally approved cost of quality methodology.

- **Item 126 #2s (Locke)** provides $325 million GF each year to support the fiscal impact of SB 134, which would establish a funding formula for early childhood care and education. This is an estimate, and the actual fiscal impact is to be determined.

    - **Fairfax County's Position:** Support with an amendment to ensure state child care funding is increased and provided equitably to localities throughout the Commonwealth (the bill currently includes language related to prioritizing child care deserts) (Historical Position).

Environment

- **Item 88 #1h (Shin)** provides $250,000 GF each year for a local government invasive species grant program.

- **Item 109 #8h (Herring)** provides $5 million GF in FY27 to set up the Solar Interconnection Grant Program established by HB 683, to provide competitive grants to localities to connect solar facilities to the grid.

- **Item 368 #14h (Krizek)** provides $261.9 GF million and $129.3 million in FY27 and FY28 to fully fund the constitutional requirements for the Water Quality Improvement Fund (WQIF).

- **Item 369 #1h (Herring)** requires all agencies to take actions necessary for the Commonwealth to rejoin the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (HB 397).

- **Item 365 #4s (Salim)** provides $50,000 GF each year for the fiscal impact of Senate Bill 589, which allows localities in Planning District 8 to require minimum tree canopy or coverage percentages ten (10) years after development rather than twenty (20) years.

Gaming

- **Item 493.10 #1h (Krizek)** provides $6 million non-general funds (NGF) each year for the establishment of the Virginia Gaming Commission as an independent agency of the Commonwealth.

Health and Human Services

- **Item 291 #17h (Shin)/#75h (Watts)** provides additional funding to raise rates for Medicaid waiver services. Specific funding levels and services vary by amendment.

- **Item 291 #16s (Boysko)/#17s (Boysko)/#11s (Carroll Foy)** provides additional funding to raise rates for Medicaid waiver services. Specific funding levels and services vary by amendment

- **Item 300 #3h (Watts)** provides $25 million GF the first year to support facility acquisition and renovation in Region 2 for expanded crisis receiving centers and crisis stabilization units.

- **Item 300 #5h (Watts)** provides $11 million GF each year to increase ongoing operational support for crisis receiving centers and crisis stabilization units in Region 2.

- **Item 301 #2s (Favola)** provides $2.5 million GF each year to support grants to localities for permanent supportive housing for individuals who are discharged from state behavioral health facilities and individuals who are on the hospital's extraordinary barrier list.

- **Item 319 #1h (Carr)/#2h (McClaughlin)** provides $10 million GF each year for the Area Agencies on Aging (AAA).

- **Item 319 #2s (Boysko)/#3s (Ebbin)/#5s (Reeves)** provides $10 million GF each year for AAA.

- **Item 319 #4s (Favola)** provides $1 million GF each year to AAAs.

- **Item 319 #3h (Ward)** provides $2 million GF each year to support the 20 local Long Term Care Ombudsman programs at AAAs. This will increase the number of local Ombudsmen up to the minimum staffing ratio.

Libraries

- **Item 230 #2h (Carr)/Item 230 #1s (Locke)** provides $1.9 million GF each year to increase state aid to local public libraries. This investment would fully fund the state aid to local public libraries formula.

Public Safety

- **Item 398 #3s (Ebbin)** provides $12.2 million GF each year to support the Northern Virginia Emergency Response System (NVERS) to help the Virginia portion of the National Capital Region (NCR) offset recent declines in federal funding, including reallocation of the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI). Language also directs the Department to convene a workgroup to study potential state and local revenue sources to support emergency management needs across the Commonwealth.

- **Item 394 #1s (Favola)** provides an additional $6 million GF each year to increase grants to local sexual assault crisis centers and domestic violence programs to provide core and comprehensive services to victims of sexual and domestic violence.

- **Item 406 #1s (Mulchi)** provides $12.5 million GF each year to support the Virginia Fire Personnel and Equipment Grant Program established by SB 80.

Transportation

- **Item 416 #5s (Surovell)** directs the Virginia State Police to collaborate with the National Park Service to determine the feasibility of agreeing to implement a speed camera program on the George Washington Parkway (as authorized by SB 81).

- **Item 438 #4s (Surovell)** directs the Department of Transportation (VDOT) to conduct a study of bicycle infrastructure maintenance costs during winter weather events.

- **Item 439 #3h (Kilgore)** provides $5 million GF each year to increase support for the maintenance of secondary roads.

Workforce Development

- **Item 274 #3h (Sewell)** adds $4 million GF each year to establish the Earn to Learn Behavioral Education Acceleration program to be administered by the Virginia Health Workforce Development Authority.

- **Item 274 #1s (Locke)** provides $2 million GF each year to establish the Earn to Learn Behavioral Health Education Acceleration program.

Local Support

- **Item 301 #2h (Simon)/Item 300 #3s (Salim)** provides $625,000 GF the first year and $625,000 GF the second year to Pathway Homes to build out 10+ ADA accessible, affordable housing units for individuals with disabilities 55+ and a community hub.

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- **Item 335 #19h (Keys-Gamarra)** provides **$**575,000 GF the first year and $575,000 GF the second year to Cornerstones for wraparound services.

- **Item 335 #24h (Shin)** provides $300,000 GF the first year and $300,000 GF the second year to Cornerstones for wraparound services.

- **Item 335 #23h (Krizek)/Item 335 #9s (Favola)** provides $500,000 GF each year to Northern Virginia Family Services (NVFS) for homelessness prevention and wraparound services for individuals and families who fall outside Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) eligibility.

- **Item 335 #11h (Henson)** provides an additional $500,000 GF in FY27 over the Governor's budget level to support Lorton Community Action Center, bringing the total to $700,000.

- **Item 102 #21h (Keys-Gamarra)** provides $200,000 GF each year to Fairfax County for a partnership with Herndon–Reston FISH (Friends In Service Helping) for rapid, flexible eviction prevention assistance**.**

- **Item 335 #13s (McPike)** provides $4 million GF in FY27 to Fairfax County and Prince William County to enhance workforce development programs, support ongoing renovations and operations, add accessibility features, and create new training spaces for members of the immigrant community.

- **Item 319 #6h/Item 319 #7s (Surovell)** provides $400,000 GF each year to Fairfax County to support Washington Area Villages Exchange (WAVE) for continuation of a pilot program that reduces social isolation among older Virginians by expanding Villages statewide.

- **Item 300 #7h (Reid)/Item 300 #8s (Boysko)** provides $1.3 million GF the first year and $1.4 million GF the second year to increase funding for Specially Adapted Resources Clubs (SPARC) to support current operations serving adults with developmental disabilities in integrated community settings.

- **Item 283 #5s (Ebbin)** provides $2 million GF for the first year to Tauxemont Community Association to convert Tauxemont's water source from the Potomac aquifer to Fairfax Water.

- **Item 394 #3s (Ebbin)** provides $200,000 GF the first year for Ayuda to provide immigration, legal, and social services to victims of human trafficking.

- **Item 363 #13h (Seibold)/Item 374 #2s (Salim)** provides $4 million in the first year from the general fund for the Town of Vienna to acquire a building for a visitor center on the Washington & Old Dominion Trail.

- **Item 363 #15h (Simon)** provides around $1.5 million GF to the Lake Barcroft Watershed Improvement District for engineering and construction costs tied to the Lake Barcroft Dam Flood Mitigation Project.

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- **Item 113 #3s (Surovell)** - Language-only directive for VEDP (in coordination with DEQ and others) to convene a workgroup assessing statutory/regulatory obstacles to developing a biomethanization facility at the Fairfax County landfill, including feasibility and potential financing.

Oppose

- **Items 438 #16h / 438 #17h (Oates)** - reduces VDOT's NGF appropriation from the Commonwealth Transportation Fund by $50 million each year to reflect the fiscal impact of the provision in HB 1281 and HB 1205, respectively, to exclude "high efficiency vehicles" from the highway use fee. In FY25, the highway use fee generated $83.9 million in revenue. The portion of the revenue that is tied to "high efficiency vehicles" is not yet known.

- **Item 355 #1s (Salim)** provides $50,000 GF each year for the fiscal impact of SB 731.

- **Item 435 #1s (Salim)** provides $50,000 GF the first year for the potential fiscal impact of SB 731, which requires the Department of Rail and Public Transit to oversee its implementation.

    - **County Position:** Oppose due to concerns around unfunded mandates, leading to reduced services.

Local Transportation/Transit Projects

- **Items 426 #3h (Krizek) / 426 #4s (Surovell)** provides $100,000 GF the first year to direct the Department of Motor Vehicles to conduct a study, to work with counterparts in the District of Columbia and State of Maryland to study issues related to ticket reciprocity and registering vehicles for out-of-state residents.

- **Item 438 #8s (Surovell)** provides $100,000 GF the first year to the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) to develop and recommend a framework for funding bike and pedestrian needs in Northern Virginia based on the findings of the VDOT December 2024 Northern Virginia Bicycle and Pedestrian Network Study.

- **Item 438 #9h (Helmer)** provides $25,000 from the general fund to support a study of the condition and traffic usage at the intersection of Bull Run Post Office Road & Compton Road in Centreville based on safety concerns raised within the community.

- **Item 439 #1s (Salim)** provides $25,000 GF the first year for a noise abatement analysis at the corner of Route 29 and Shreve Road to evaluate the impact of extending the existing sound wall an additional fifty feet to reduce highway-related noise in the adjacent neighborhood.

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- **Item 439 #5h (Tran)** provides $50,000 GF in each year of the biennium pursuant to the passage of HB 1010, which expands the definition of "school crossing zone" to include areas surrounding schools where the presence of students, in addition to children, reasonably requires a special warning to motorists. The bill also defines "school" to include, in Planning District 8, large children's sports complexes.

- **Item 441 #1s (Srinivasan)** provides $5 million GF each year to establish a toll-relief program for eligible drivers in Planning District 8. An eligible driver is defined as an individual (i) whose primary residence is in Planning District 8; (ii) whose annual income is less than $75,000; and (iii) who maintains an electronic toll collection device and an associated account. The funds will be used on a first-come basis to provide toll relief by applying a credit equal to 25 percent of the toll amount paid for up to the first 14 tolled trips per calendar month collected through an electronic toll collection device. Such credits shall be applied directly to the eligible driver's electronic toll collection account.