



# House Appropriations Committee 2005 Session Budget Amendment Form

Proposed by Delegate: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name) (Signature)

Requests can be made by completing this form and submitting it to the House Appropriations Committee staff office on the 9<sup>th</sup> floor of the GAB.

Agency Name: Virginia Tech (Agency 208), Item C-122.60

Increase/Decrease

Use this section to indicate whether your amendment would require an Increase or Decrease in appropriated funds.

General Fund (GF) monies are derived from taxes levied on individual and corporate income, sales, public service corporations, and insurance companies. The General Fund is the major source of support for many State functions.

Nongeneral Fund (NGF) monies consist of special fund revenues, higher education operating monies (tuition, special revenues and federal grants), highway maintenance and construction funds, trust and agency funds, and federal trust funds.

<u>Funding</u>	<u>First Year</u>	<u>Second Year</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase	GF \$ _____	GF \$ <u>4,000,000</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease	NGF \$ _____	NGF \$ <u>4,000,000</u>

Employment Level

Use this section to indicate if a change in the employment level of the agency is desired or necessary. The employment level is the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) positions dedicated to a specific program activity or agency. If you are unsure, leave the space blank.

<u>Employment Level</u>	<u>First Year</u>	<u>Second Year</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase	GF FTE _____	GF FTE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease	NGF FTE _____	NGF FTE _____

Explanation of Amendment

Please explain the purpose of your amendment or attach explanatory materials. THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF REQUESTING AN AMENDMENT as it ensures the staff has adequate background information to draft your budget amendment request.

EXPLANATION OF AMENDMENT: (Explain or Attach Materials)—See Attached Materials

This capital amendment will authorize and fund the construction of a research laboratory building for the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine at Virginia Tech, the cost of which will be equally shared with the National Institutes of Health (NIH) upon award of the proposed grant.

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Albo	Howell, A.T.	Parrish
Alexander	Howell, W. J.	Petersen
Amundson	Hugo	Phillips
Armstrong	Hull	Plum
Athey	Hurt	Pollard
BaCote	Ingram	Purkey
Barlow	Janis	Putney
Baskerville	Joannou	Rapp
Bell	Johnson	Reese
Black	Jones, D.C.	Reid
Bland	Jones, S.C.	Rust
Brink	Keister	Saxman
Bryant	Kilgore	Scott, E. T.
Byron	Landes	Scott, J. M.
Callahan	Lewis	Shannon
Carrico	Lingamfelter	Sherwood
Cline	Louderback	Shuler
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Cosgrove	Marshall, D. W.	Spruill
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Ebbin	McQuigg	Van Yahres
Eisenberg	Melvin	Ward
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**VIRGINIA TECH**

**Agency 208**

**Capital Expenses  
Budget Amendment Proposal**

	<u>2004-05</u>	<u>2005-06</u>	<u>Biennium</u>
Additional Funds Requested:			
General Fund	--	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000
Nongeneral Fund	--	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000

Title: National Institutes of Health Research Laboratory

Justification Statement:

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) sponsors a grant program to increase the number of life sciences laboratories in the United States with the capability to conduct cutting-edge infectious disease research. The goal of the NIH program is to increase the national inventory of research laboratories with the capability to conduct its sponsored research projects.

The Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine (VMRCVM) at Virginia Tech is in the process of preparing a proposal to submit to the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to build a laboratory facility for infectious disease research. This proposed laboratory will leverage the existing Biosafety Level-3 (BSL-3) animal and laboratory facilities and existing regular laboratories and office space of the VMRCVM.

This proposed facility will address a severe need for infectious disease laboratory and office space at the University and is critical to support the substantial additions of new faculty in infectious diseases (six new faculty in infectious diseases planned in the next two years). This faculty will position Virginia Tech to become one of the leaders in this research area that has \$2.8 billion of funding from NIH and substantial funding for biodefense research from the Department of Defense and the Centers for Disease Control. Further, this space will encourage outstanding new faculty to join Virginia Tech to become part of the Infectious Disease Research Initiative that will make Virginia Tech one of the leading institutions in this research area. The project is a key component in the University's strategy to reach its objective in infectious diseases research.

This proposed laboratory facility will include about 22,000 gross square feet of state-of-the-art laboratory and office space to support about 10 faculty, support staff and graduate students, and their specialized scientific equipment. The estimated cost of the laboratory is about \$8 million, and the funding plan calls for the NIH to cost share the building at about 50 percent. This request is for \$4 million of nongeneral fund authorization for the federal support from NIH and \$4 million of General Fund support for a total project request of \$8 million.

The NIH proposal is due September 2005 and requires a schematic design document of the building as part of the submittal. The University is moving forward with the necessary design activity under a self-funded blanket authorization to meet the September 2005 submittal due

date. This request is for the remaining project funds and is critical for the 2006 fiscal year to be in position for the NIH award schedule of early spring 2006.