

Department of Planning and Budget 2009 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1652

House of Origin X Introduced Substitute Engrossed
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Carrico

3. Committee: Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

4. Title: **Adds McKenzie Cemetery in Grayson County to list of Confederate cemeteries and graves**

5. Summary: This bill adds the McKenzie Cemetery located in Grayson County, which maintains ten Confederate graves, to the list of those cemeteries receiving funds from the Department of Historic Resources (DHR) for the care of such graves.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

6a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2009	\$0	0.0	n/a
2010	\$50	0.0	GF
2011	\$50	0.0	GF
2012	\$50	0.0	GF
2013	\$50	0.0	GF
2014	\$50	0.0	GF
2015	\$50	0.0	GF

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Item 374.

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill adds the McKenzie Cemetery in Grayson County, which maintains ten Confederate grave sites, to the list of eligible Confederate grave sites receiving funds from the Department of Historic Resources (DHR) for the care of such graves. According to §10.1-2211 B. of the Code of Virginia, the “allocation of appropriations made pursuant to this section shall be based on the number of graves, monuments and markers as set forth opposite the association’s or organization’s name, or as documented by each association or organization multiplied by the rate of \$5 dollars or the average actual cost of routine maintenance, whichever is greater, for each grave, monument, or marker in the care of a Confederate memorial association or chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. For the purposes of this section the “average actual cost of care” shall be determined by the Department [of Historic Resources] in a biennial survey of at least four properly maintained cemeteries, each located in a different geographical region of the Commonwealth.”

A study done by the Department of Historic Resources (DHR) in 2005 found that cemeteries were paying an average of \$5.28 per grave for the maintenance of Confederate grave sites. The decision was made to keep the rate for maintenance at \$5 per gravesite. A reevaluation of maintenance costs is planned.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Historic Resources.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Natural Resources
Secretary of Finance