

Virginia Retirement System 2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB1659

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron Parrish

3. Committee Appropriations

4. Title Law Officers' Retirement System; membership.

5. Summary/Purpose:

This bill expands membership in the Virginia Law Officers' Retirement System to include sworn members of the enforcement division of the Department of Motor Vehicles.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are:

6a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2000-01	-0-		
2001-02	\$625,646		NGF
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2002-03	\$651,000		NGF

7. Budget amendment necessary: Yes

8. Fiscal implications: See Item 11

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: VRS and DMV

10. Technical amendment necessary: None

11. Other comments:

There have been 7 bills introduced this year to include 6 new groups of employees under VALORS, not including those including sheriffs and deputies. The fiscal impact of all of the new groups is shown in the table below. In 1999, the General Assembly and Governor approved the establishment of the Virginia Law Officers Retirement System (VALORS) to provide benefits equivalent to state police officers to certain other law enforcement positions. The law was effective October 1, 1999. VRS continues to recommend that before any other groups of employees are included under VALORS, the General Assembly consider the criteria it will use to determine future eligibility. VRS respectfully requests that no favorable action be taken on this bill until a uniform policy for inclusion is established. Failure to have an established and consistent policy for inclusion of members in VALORS may result in employee initiated suits for inclusion that will leave the Commonwealth with no valid defense.

GROUP	# OF EE'S	ANN. COMP.	FY02 COST	FY03 COST	BILL #
DMV ENF.	61	\$2,897,000	\$626,000	\$651,000	H1659
JUV. PROB. & PAROLE	742	\$28,528,000	\$6,159,000	\$6,405,746	H1751 S1020

LOTTERY	10	\$517,000	\$112,000	\$116,000	S1020
DOC W/ INMATE CONTACT	12,900	\$401,821,000	\$86,755,000	\$90,225,000	S969 S1283
SPECIAL GAME WARDEN	24	\$1,182,000	\$254,885	\$265,000	H2620

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