Virginia Retirement System 2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number	HB1741		
House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled

2. Patron Moss

3. Committee Appropriations

4. Title Optional retirement plans.

5. Summary/Purpose:

This bill eliminates the provision for state employees participating in the optional retirement plan (ORP) for political appointees to transfer back to the VRS after 10 years. The bill also clarifies that the election to be covered by the ORP for local school superintendents is available only for new school superintendents (i.e. current superintendents already were provided irrevocable election). The bill also makes technical changes to the optional retirement plans for certain employees of institutions of higher education; for certain employees of public school divisions; and for certain appointees of the Governor, the Attorney General, and the Lieutenant Governor to make them more consistent in administration.

Because the modification to the ORP for certain state employees eliminates the right for them to transfer to the VRS after 10 years, the bill has a second enactment clause that gives such employees ninety days from the bill's effective date to transfer to the VRS. This bill is requested by the VRS Board of Trustees.

- 6. No Fiscal Impact
- 7. Budget amendment necessary: None
- 8. Fiscal implications: None

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: VRS and employers with employees participating in ORP's.

10. Technical amendment necessary: None

11. Other comments: None

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