Virginia Retirement System 2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number	HB1751		
	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:

Adds juvenile probation officers to the list of employees participating in the Virginia Law Officers' Retirement System (VALORS).

- 6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are:
 - 6a. Expenditure Impact:

Dollars	Positions	Fund
-0-		
\$6,159,000		GF
\$6,406,000		GF
	<i>Dollars</i> -0- \$6,159,000	Dollars Positions -0- \$6,159,000

- 7. Budget amendment necessary: Yes
- 8. Fiscal implications: See item 11.
- 9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: VRS and Department of Juvenile Justice
- 10. Technical amendment necessary: None

11. Other comments: There have been 8 bills introduced this year to included 6 new groups of employees under VALORS, not including those including sherrifs 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, H1811
JUV. PROB.	742	\$28,528,000	\$6,159,000	\$6,405,746	H1751 S1020
& PAROLE					
LOTTERY	10	\$517,000	\$112,000	\$116,000	S1020
DOC W/	4,255	\$142,421,000	\$30,749,000	\$31,979,000	S969
INMATE					S1283

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SPECIAL GAME WARDEN	24	\$1,182,000	\$254,885	\$265,000	H2620

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