

Department of Planning and Budget 2003 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB1431

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☒ Enrolled

2. Patron Johnson

3. Committee Passed Both Houses

4. Title Eliminate social security offset for unemployment benefits

5. Summary/Purpose: The bill excludes 50 percent of Social Security and Railroad Retirement Act retirement or pension benefit payments from the current requirement that unemployment compensation benefits be reduced by the amount received from any governmental or other pension, retirement or retired pay, annuity, or other periodic payment under a plan maintained or contributed to by an employer based on the recipient's prior work.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are Preliminary:

6a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2002-03	\$0	-	-
2003-04	\$2.2 million	-	NGF
2004-05	\$1.8 million	-	NGF

7. Budget amendment necessary: No, the increase in non-general funds can be appropriated administratively.

8. Fiscal implications: The bill would impact unemployment compensation by increasing benefits paid out from the unemployment trust funds since 50 percent of social security and railroad retirement benefits would no longer offset an individual's unemployment benefits. According to the Virginia Employment Commission, the impact of this bill on unemployment taxes, paid by employers, is projected to increase in calendar year 2006 by \$0.45 per employee on average.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Virginia Employment Commission.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: This bill is identical to SB1014 as enrolled.

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cc: Secretary of Commerce and Trade