

Commission on Local Government

Estimate of Local Fiscal Impact
2003 General Assembly Session

Bill: HB 1757, as amended **Patron:** Amundson **Date:** January 27, 2003

In accordance with the provisions of §§ 30–19.03 through 30–19.03:1.1 of the Code of Virginia, the staff of the Commission on Local Government offers the following analysis of the above-referenced bill:

I. Bill Summary

HB 1757, as amended, modifies the current remediation requirement to include students failing an end-of-course test, the successful completion of which is needed by the students for graduation. Local school divisions would be required to add the students failing such tests to their remediation report to the State Board of Education.

II. Fiscal Impact Analysis

Under current law, remediation programs focus on students who are classified "educationally at risk", i.e., students whose scores are in the bottom national quartile on Virginia State Assessment Program Tests and those who fail to achieve a passing score on required Standards of Learning assessments.

The Commission on Local Government did not receive estimates from any localities concerning the fiscal impact of HB 1757 on their school divisions. However, the effect of the bill is to add certain failing students to existing remediation program, and to include data on those students in the annual remediation report to the State Board of Education.

III. Conclusion

HB 1757 is expected to impose only minor, if any, net additional expenditures for local school divisions throughout the Commonwealth.