

Department of Planning and Budget 2004 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB1013

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron Dillard

3. Committee Education

4. Title At Risk Student Academic Achievement Program.

5. Summary/Purpose: This bill creates the At-Risk Student Achievement Grants Program and Fund. The program would be administered by the Board of Education (BOE), with the fund established as a special, nonreverting fund comprised of gifts, donations, grants, bequests, and other funds. The fund would be managed by the Department of Treasury (DOT), with the Board of Education having disbursement authority.

Disbursements from the fund could be made for noncompetitive grants to school divisions to implement programs designed to: 1) improve the academic achievement of at-risk public school students on SOL assessments; 2) decrease the rate of dropout among at-risk public school students; and 3) increase the number of such students obtaining the advanced studies diploma. All grants would require local matching funds and would be designed to supplement existing programs. The Board of Education also has the authority to issue guidelines governing the program.

6. Fiscal Impact: See Item 8.

7. Budget amendment necessary: A budget amendment to Direct Aid would be necessary if this bill were enacted to provide the appropriation authority for expenditures of the funds.

8. Fiscal implications: Department of Education staff resources may be needed in order to establish BOE guidelines for any grant awards. The bill has no fiscal impact unless funds are appropriated to the At-Risk Student Achievement Grants Fund. DOT would incur costs to manage the fund.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Board of Education, local school divisions, Department of Education, Department of the Treasury

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: HB1270 increases the sales and use tax by ½ percent, with the proceeds dedicated to public education. One half of the revenues generated from this increase would be deposited to the At-Risk Student Achievement Fund. (HB1270 contains the identical

provisions of HB1013.) All estimates of sales and use tax are forecast by the Tax department.

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cc: Secretary of Education
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