Department of Planning and Budget 2004 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Numbe	r HB 1231
	House of Orig	gin Introduced Substitute Engrossed
	Second House	e In Committee Substitute Enrolled
2.	Patron	Griffith
3.	Committee	Passed both houses
1.	Title	Collegial bodies; changes and conformity of provisions.

5. Summary/Purpose:

Conforms certain collegial body requirements to meet the legislative guidelines adopted by the Joint Rules Committees and codifies certain existing collegial bodies.

The substitute bill affects 64 different collegial bodies. Changes in the bill involve such actions as specifying the source of funding for the collegial body and clarifying terms of office of members, how officers are to be elected, how members are to be compensated, and how vacancies are to be filled. The bill codifies several interstate compacts in which Virginia participates, including the Southern Regional Education Board.

The collegial bodes affected by the bill are: Institute for Advanced Learning and Research, Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Commission, the Capitol Preservation Council, the Commonwealth Council on Aging, the Advisory Council on Career and Technical Education, the Chesapeake Bay Commission, the Chesapeake Bay Restoration Fund Advisory Committee, the Virginia Coal and Energy Commission, the Virginia Code Commission, the Virginia State Crime Commission, the Criminal Justice Services Board, the Criminal Sentencing Commission, the Advisory Board of Economists, the Commission on Electric Utility Restructuring, the Ethics Advisory Panels of the House and Senate, the Virginia Freedom of Information Council, the Council of Virginia's Future, the Geographic Information Network Advisory Board, the Hampton Roads Transportation District Commission, the Virginia Housing Study Commission, the Virginia Council on Human Resources, the Information Technology Investment Board, the Virginia Commission on Intergovernmental Cooperation, the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission, the Judicial Council, the Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice, the Judicial Inquiry and Review Commission, the Legislative Support Commission, the Virginia Military Advisory Council, the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Commission, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Living History and Public Policy Center, the Northern Neck-Middle Peninsula Public Education Consortium, the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority, the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission, the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation District Commission, the Governing Board of the Virginia Office for Protection and Advocacy, the Virginia Public Buildings Board, the Public-Private Partnership Contracts Oversight Group, the Joint Reapportionment Committee, the Advisory Council on Revenue Estimates, the Roanoke Higher Education Authority, the Small Business Commission, the Small Business Environmental Compliance Advisory Board, the Southern Growth Policies Board, the Southern States Energy Board, the Southern Regional Education Board, the Board of Trustees of the Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center, the Board of Trustees of the

Tobacco Settlement Foundation, the Board of Veterans Services, the Board of Directors of the Virginia Commonwealth University Health Systems Authority, the Virginia Israel Advisory Board, the Board of Trustees of the Virginia Retirement Systems, Commission on Unemployment Compensation, the State Water Commission, the Statewide Coordinating Committee for the Medical Cost Peer Review Program under the Workers Compensation Act, the Workforce Council, and the Virginia Commission on Youth.

- 6. Fiscal impact is indeterminate
- 7. Budget amendment necessary: No
- **8. Fiscal implications:** For most collegial bodies affected, the modifications in the bill merely clarify and standardize current practice. In some cases, however, the bill changes the number of members or their compensation in a manner that would have some fiscal impact.

For example, for the Virginia Geographic Information Network Advisory Board, the bill increases the number of members by one (from 17 to 18) and provides that members shall be compensated (when previously they were prohibited from receiving compensation). Assuming that all members attend each meeting of the body, which typically meets five times per year, the maximum potential fiscal impact would be \$8,000 annually. It is anticipated that this cost could be absorbed within existing resources.,

The bill also changes the number of members on the Virginia Public Buildings Board (an increase of one), the Advisory board of Economists (decrease of four), and the Board of the Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center (an increase of one). An increase or decrease in membership would affect the cost of reimbursement expenses for members.

It is not possible to immediately determine what, if any, fiscal impact may exist for other collegial bodies where the bill makes modifications that change current practice. To the extent that the bill changes the source of funding for a collegial body to an agency that has not previously been responsible for the expenses of that commission, the bill could also have some fiscal impact.

- 9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: The 64 collegial bodies named
- **10. Technical amendment necessary:** Two technical amendments are recommended by the Division of Legislative Services to strike the word "and" and to insert the word "or" in lines 2007 and 2270.

11. Other comments: None

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