

Department of Planning and Budget 2004 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number SB338

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☒ Enrolled

2. Patron Edwards

3. Committee Passed Both Houses

4. Title Powers and duties of the State Council of Higher Education

5. Summary/Purpose: The proposed legislation adds to the powers and duties of the State Council of Higher Education and directs the State Council to facilitate the development of articulation agreements. In addition, the legislation directs the Council to develop estimates of the number of degrees to be awarded by each institution and include those estimates in its reports of enrollment projections.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are: Final. See line 8.

6a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2003-04			
2004-05	\$135,290	1.00	GF
2005-06	\$135,290	1.00	GF

7. Budget amendment necessary: Yes, Item 165 for the State Council of Higher Education.

8. Fiscal implications: The State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) currently facilitates the development of articulation agreements. The State Council's strategic plan includes efforts "to [ensure] reduced time to degree through seamless transfer between community colleges and senior institutions." The amount of agency resources that will be devoted to this effort depends on the extent to which SCHEV undertakes various programs and activities to achieve this broad policy goal. The Governor's budget, as introduced, included an additional position for SCHEV that could be used to help address any potential additional workload. However, both the House and Senate eliminated this funding in their respective budgets. In addition, the proposed legislation requires SCHEV to develop estimates of the number of degrees to be awarded by each institution and include those estimates in its reports of enrollment projections.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:

State Council of Higher Education
Public institutions of higher education\Private institutions of higher education

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: House Bill 989 proposes that the State Council of Higher Education develop a state transfer module.

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cc: Secretary of Education