## Department of Planning and Budget 2005 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number HB1615ER	
	House of Orig	gin Introduced Substitute Engrossed
	Second House	e In Committee Substitute Enrolled
2.	Patron	Fralin
3.	Committee	Passed Both Houses
4.	Title	School safety audits; requirements.

## 5. Summary/Purpose:

The legislation proposes to amend and reenact §22.1-279.8 of the Code of Virginia to require the Superintendent of Public Instruction to develop a list of items to be reviewed and evaluated in school safety audits and a standardized report format for school safety audits. The legislation further requires all school superintendents to collate and submit all school safety audits in the prescribed format and manner of submission to the Virginia Center for School Safety, within the Department of Criminal Justice Services.

- **6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are:** Final. See item #8.
- 7. Budget amendment necessary: No.
- **8. Fiscal implications:** The Departments of Education (DOE) and Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) advise that this legislation will have no fiscal impact on them. The amended bill requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to prescribe a standardized report format for school safety audits, additional reporting criteria, and procedures for report submission, which may include instructions for electronic submission. The Superintendent currently has the requirement to develop the list of items to be reviewed and evaluated in the annual school safety audits and as such this work can be absorbed within existing resources. There are no new responsibilities for the Department of Criminal Justice Services in this legislation.
- **9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Department of Education and Department of Criminal Justice Services

**10.** Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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