

**Department of Planning and Budget
2005 Fiscal Impact Statement**

1. Bill Number HB1719ER

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☒ Enrolled

2. Patron Tata

3. Committee Passed Both Houses

4. Title Clarifies the role of the State Council of Higher Education in Virginia in certifying postsecondary schools.

5. Summary/Purpose: Clarifies the role of the State Council of Higher Education in Virginia (SCHEV) in the certification of postsecondary schools (degree-granting schools other than public institutions of higher education and non-college degree schools). Previously, SCHEV approved programs of study; this measure provides for the certification of schools rather than specific program approval. This certification authority does not address professional or training programs subject to a Virginia health regulatory board or other state or federal governmental agency.

6. No Fiscal Impact. Final.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No

8. Fiscal implications: This proposed legislation provides SCHEV with additional statutory clarification for policy changes passed by the 2004 General Assembly. The fiscal impact to SCHEV and other constituents is minimal.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: State Council on Higher Education in Virginia

10. Technical amendment necessary: No

11. Other comments: None.

Date: 02/25/05/rsa

cc: Secretary of Education