

Department of Planning and Budget 2005 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB 1769

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

2. Patron Dillard

3. Committee General Laws

4. Title Commission on Civics Education

5. Summary/Purpose: This bill establishes a 21-member Commission on Civics Education. It is comprised of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, four members of the House of Delegates, two members of the Senate, and ten non-legislative members with prescribed expertise in Civics related studies or activities. The Commission is to (1) develop and coordinate outreach programs for certain civics topics, (2) identify civics education projects and provide technical assistance for these projects, (3) build a network of civics education professionals to foster information sharing and partnership strengthening, (4) develop a clearinghouse based out of the Department of Education's website that includes a civics education resource database, bulletin board, events calendar, and civics research links, (5) make recommendations to the state Board of Education regarding SOL revisions for civics and government, and (6) publish an annual report and executive summary to the Governor and General Assembly. The Department of Education is directed to provide staff support for the Commission as well as costs of compensation and expenses for commission members.

6. Fiscal Impact: Expenditure Estimates for the Department of Education are preliminary.

Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2004-05	0	0	-
2005-06	81,197	1	
2006-07	81,197	1	
2007-08	81,197	1	
2008-09	81,197	1	
2009-10	81,197	1	
2010-11	81,197	1	
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7. Budget amendment necessary: Yes. DOE would be required to fund the costs of compensation and expenses of the 21 members. A budget amendment would be needed to address the Department of Education's ability to fund the costs of compensation and expenses of the 21 members in Item 136 of HB1500/SB700.

- 8. Fiscal implications:** Fiscal impact calculations include compensation and expense payments for 21 commission members as directed in Chapter 4, Item 1 of the 2004 Acts of Assembly, §4-5.04, paragraph f.2 of Chapter 4, 2004 Acts of Assembly, and 2005 IRS per diem rates for Richmond, Virginia. The expenses for non-legislative members may exceed the 2005 IRS *per diem* rate. For illustrative purposes, the IRS limit was used for these members.

	<u>GA Members</u>	<u>Non-Legislative Members</u>	
Daily Compensation	\$200	\$50	<i>(per Item 1, Paragraph Six of Chapter 4)</i>
Expenses	\$123	\$123	(2005 IRS limit: per Item 1, Paragraph Seven of Chapter 4)
Mileage \$.325 @ 250 miles	\$81.25	\$81.25	(per §4-5.04, paragraph f.2 of Chapter 4)
Total per individual visit	\$404	\$254	
Total per one meeting	\$2,425.50	\$3,813.75	
Total for five meetings	\$12,127.50	\$19,068.75	
Subtotal	\$31,196.25		

Impact was also considered for an additional hourly employee at DOE to provide staff support for the commission. The compensation for this employee is estimated to be \$55,000, with no fringe benefits expected, other than social security.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of Education

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Education