

**Department of Planning and Budget
2006 Fiscal Impact Statement**

1. Bill Number HB1308 E

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

2. Patron Lohr

3. Committee Education and Health

4. Title School boards; authority to block use of school facilities by certain groups

5. Summary/Purpose:

Authorizes school boards, pursuant to and in compliance with 20 U.S.C. 4071(f), to prohibit the use of school facilities by any student club or other student group that encourages or promotes sexual activity by unmarried minor students. The bill also provides that the Attorney General's Office must provide legal defense on behalf of the local school boards.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are: See Item 8.

7. Budget amendment necessary: Cannot be determined.

8. Fiscal implications: It is anticipated that the first part of this legislation, which limits the use of school facilities by certain groups, will not have a fiscal impact. However, the second part of this legislation, which requires the Attorney General's Office to provide legal defense for local school boards regarding the enforcement of provisions in § 22.1-793, could have a fiscal impact on the Attorney General's Office. The number of cases that could be generated from this legislation is unknown which makes it impossible to reliably estimate the fiscal impact. However, a budget amendment may be necessary to provide additional staff for the Office if the increased caseload resulting from this legislation is significant.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Local school divisions, Office of the Attorney General.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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