

Department of Planning and Budget 2006 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB163

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Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron Lingamfelter

3. Committee Education

4. Title Family life education; parent or guardian review.

5. Summary/Purpose:

Emphasizes the right of parents and guardians to review family life curricula whether or not family life instruction is mandatory or optional. Further, the bill repeals § 22.1-207.1 that requires the Board of Education to establish guidelines for family life education and prescribes certain subject matter to be taught in family life education programs. The bill also contains a technical amendment to remove redundant language.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are: See Item 8.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No

8. Fiscal implications: The first part of this bill addresses access to family life curricula by parents and guardians of children enrolled in public schools. While current law requires that these materials be available for review, this legislation merely emphasizes that fact.

The second part of the legislation calls for the repeal of § 22.1-207.1. Presently, this section requires the Board of Education to provide guidelines for family life education programs for grades K through 12. The legislation removes that responsibility from the Board of Education. However, current regulations state that family life education programs offered by school divisions are optional (see 8VAC20-131-170) so a change in the responsibility for programming guidelines has no fiscal impact.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Board of Education, local school divisions

10. Technical amendment necessary: No

11. Other comments: None.

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