

## Department of Planning and Budget 2006 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number** HB346

<b>House of Origin</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
<b>Second House</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

**2. Patron** Hamilton

**3. Committee** Passed both houses

**4. Title** Restructured Higher Education Financial and Administrative Operations Act; campus security.

**5. Summary/Purpose:** Adds campus safety and security to the several state goals that public institutions of higher education participating in the Restructured Higher Education Financial and Administrative Operation Act must commit to the Governor and General Assembly to meet.

**6. No Fiscal Impact** (See Item 8.)

**7. Budget amendment necessary:** None.

**8. Fiscal implications:** The Restructured Higher Education Financial and Administrative Operations Act establishes objectives to be met by institutions of higher education, and grants additional operational authority to the institutions in meeting those objectives. There will be no direct impact on the level of state higher education appropriations as a result of this legislation. The institutions are expected to prioritize the use of current and future state appropriations and tuition revenues to meet the statewide objectives enumerated in the act.

**9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** 17 public institutions of higher education, including 15 four-year institutions, Richard Bland College and the Virginia Community College System with its 23 colleges.

**10. Technical amendment necessary:** The legislation, as revised by this bill, requires institutions to commit to the Governor and General Assembly by August 1, 2005, through formal board resolution, to meet the specified state goals. Institutions have already committed to meet the eleven existing goals. If a new commitment to the additional goal is required, the process should be specified in the legislation.

**11. Other comments:** Three institutions have already negotiated management agreements with the appropriate cabinet secretaries. These agreements may need to be amended if the additional goal is to be included.

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**cc:** Secretary of Education