

Department of Planning and Budget 2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1373

House of Origin X Introduced Substitute Engrossed

Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Morrissey

3. Committee: Education

4. Title: **Tuition, in-state; eligibility for Native Americans.**

5. Summary/Purpose: Provides any person who is a member of a Native American tribe officially recognized by the Commonwealth is eligible for in-state tuition so long as such membership is verified. Additionally, out-of-state students granted in-state tuition because of the provision must be counted as in-state students for the purposes of determining college admissions, enrollment, and tuition and fee revenue policies.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Indeterminate. See item 8.

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

8. Fiscal Implications: The Commonwealth currently recognizes eight tribes: Chickahominy, Eastern Chickahominy, Mattaponi, Monacan Indian Nation, Nansemond, Pamunkey, Rappahannock and the Upper Mattaponi. Identified members of these tribes live in the Commonwealth or in other parts of the United States. The number of students who would be eligible or who would desire to attend a Virginia institution is unknown at this time. Therefore, a potential revenue loss for the Commonwealth's colleges and universities could not be determined because the actual number of students in this category is indeterminate.

However, based on the 2007 – 2008 Tuition and Fee Report published by the State Council of Higher Education (SCHEV), the revenue loss per student can be estimated using the difference between the average in-state and out-of-state tuition and mandatory fees for Education and General Programs. Therefore, a loss of \$11,805 for four-year and \$6,707 for two-year institutions can be estimated. See table below for details:

Average 2007 - 2008 Tuition and Mandatory Education and General Fees			
Type of Institution	In-State	Out-of-State	Revenue Loss
4-Year	4,468	16,273	(11,805)
2-Year	2,452	9,159	(6,707)

Additionally, the second part of this bill to count these out-of-state students granted in-state tuition as in-state, may impact level of state support provided for certain funding policies. However, the impact of this modification cannot be determined at this time, because it is unknown how many existing or future students will be classified as having in-state status.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: All institutions of public higher education and the Native American tribes recognized by the Commonwealth.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None

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cc: Secretary of Education