

## Department of Planning and Budget 2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB434

**House of Origin**   X   Introduced        Substitute        Engrossed

**Second House**        In Committee        Substitute        Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Vogel

**3. Committee:** Education and Health

**4. Title:** In-state tuition and educational benefits for unlawful aliens.

**5. Summary:** Provides that an alien who is unlawfully present in the United States shall not be eligible on the basis of residency within Virginia for any postsecondary educational benefit including, but not limited to, in-state tuition and state financial aid, unless citizens or nationals of the United States are eligible for such benefits in no less an amount, duration, and scope, without regard to whether such citizens or nationals are Virginia residents.

**6. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Indeterminate, see Item 8.

**7. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** Cost to implement this legislation would depend on the specific college or university, and their current practice of validating potential students' immigration status. Public institutions that do not verify immigration status, and have large student populations, would potentially see an increase in administrative costs, specifically staff to research and certify students with questionable immigration status.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** All state colleges and universities.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** HB14, HB123, HB1010 and SB652 are similar in nature to this bill.

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C: Secretary of Education

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