Department of Planning and Budget 2009 Fiscal Impact Statement

- **2. Patron:** Edwards
- 3. Committee: Appropriations
- 4. Title: P-16 Education Council
- **5. Summary:** Makes the Governor's P-16 Education Council a permanent advisory council within the executive branch. This legislation requires the Secretary of Education's office to provide staff assistance to the Council.
- 6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final. See Item 8.
- 7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 8. Fiscal Implications: This bill permanently establishes the P-16 advisory council. The Council shall be composed of 21 members representing the General Assembly, citizens, the Secretary of Education, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, the President of the Board of Education, the Executive Director of the State Council of Higher Education (SCHEV), the Chairman of SCHEV and the Chancellor of the Virginia Community College.

The P-16 Council was initially funded through a National Governors Association Honors States grant in 2005. Recently, support for the Council has been provided through the Secretary of Education's office. The Secretary of Education's office anticipates continuing the support through current appropriations at an annual estimated cost of \$10,000.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Education, SCHEV, Secretary of Education, Virginia Community Colleges and Department of Social Services.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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