Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 1238

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2. Patron: Delegate Torian

3. Committee: Education and Health

4. Title: Implement crisis and emergency management at public institutions of higher education.

- **5. Summary:** This amendment in the nature of a substitute requires the president (superintendent for the Virginia Military Institute) and vice president for each public institution of higher education to annually:
 - review the institution's crisis and emergency management plan,
 - certify in writing that the plan has been reviewed, and
 - make recommendations for appropriate changes to the plan.

This amendment also requires the institution to annually conduct a functional exercise in accordance with the requirements of its crisis and emergency management plan.

- **6. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Indeterminate (see Section 8)
- 7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 8. Fiscal Implications:

Higher Education Institutions

There should be no fiscal impact resulting from an institution's president and vice president reviewing and certifying its crisis and emergency management plan. However, there could be an impact to the institution's daily operations resulting from the functional exercise, depending upon its level of effort. Any costs associated with the functional exercise would be absorbed by the institution.

Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM)

While this amended version of the bill has eliminated direct reference to VDEM in both the annual certification and the function exercise, there still remains a possible unknown cost due to the fact that the institutions may request the department's assistance with their individual functional exercises. The cost for VDEM's involvement would be dependent upon the extent to which each institution requests VDEM's assistance with its functional exercise, as well as the size of the functional exercise.

- **9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Virginia's public higher education institutions and the Virginia Department of Emergency Management
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.
- 11. Other Comments: None.

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