

Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB735E

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☒ Engrossed
Second House ☒ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: Barker

3. Committee: Education

4. Title: In-state tuition for members of the National Guard.

5. Summary: Provides in-state tuition for any person who met the requirements for in-state tuition prior to being called to active duty in the National Guard of another state following completion of active duty service if during active duty that person maintained one or more of the following in Virginia, rather than in another state or jurisdiction: a drivers license, motor vehicle registration, voter registration, employment, property ownership, or sources of financial support. In addition, any out-of-state students granted in-state tuition pursuant to the provisions of this legislation would be counted as in-state students for the purpose of determining state 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: If a National Guard member of another state presently qualifies for in-state tuition prior to deployment (e.g., the individual lives in Virginia but belongs to the Maryland National Guard), it is not likely that their residency requirements would change, and state benefits would remain unaffected upon their return.

The provision, though, that any out-of-state student granted in-state tuition as allowed by this legislation shall be counted as an in-state student, could have potential fiscal implications. It is not anticipated that many individuals would meet these provisions; but, the number of individuals is unknown and a specific cost impact cannot be calculated. However, the differential between an in-state student and an out-of-state student would be approximately \$6,700 per student in additional state support, depending on which institution the student enrolled.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: All public colleges and universities that enroll out-of-state members of the National Guard.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.