Department of Planning and Budget 2011 Fiscal Impact Statement

1	Bill Number: HB2008
1.	House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed
	Second House
2.	Patron: LeMunyon
3.	Committee: Education
4.	Title: Public schools; opening of the school year.
5.	Summary: Allows local school divisions to set the school calendar so that the first day students are required to attend must be no earlier than the fourth Monday in August.
6.	Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
7.	Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See item 8
8.	Fiscal Implications: This legislation permits local school divisions to set the opening date for the school calendar no earlier than the fourth Monday in August unless granted a waiver by the Board of Education. Currently, school divisions are not permitted to begin the school year prior to Labor Day unless they are granted a waiver by the Board of Education pursuant to § 22.1-79.1, Code of Virginia. Providing the calendar adopted by a school division under this legislation still meets the minimum requirements for instructional time in a school year, it is not anticipated that this legislation will have any state fiscal impact.
9.	Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Board of Education and local school divisions.
10.	. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.
11.	. Other Comments: None.
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