

## **Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB926

House of Origin	<u>  X  </u>	Introduced	<u>      </u>	Substitute	<u>      </u>	Engrossed
Second House	<u>      </u>	In Committee	<u>      </u>	Substitute	<u>      </u>	Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Bell

**3. Committee:** Education

**4. Title:** Students, nonpublic school; participation in public school interscholastic programs

**5. Summary:** Directs a nonprofit corporation founded in Virginia in 1913 to organize and govern interscholastic programs among the public high schools to deem eligible for participation in interscholastic programs a student who is receiving home instruction, who has demonstrated evidence of progress, and who is eligible for free tuition in a public school in Virginia. The bill allows such students to be charged reasonable fees for participation.

**6. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See item 8.

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

**8. Fiscal Implications:** This legislation would require organizations governing interscholastic activities to allow students receiving home instruction who are eligible to attend public school to participate in interscholastic athletics at the school serving the attendance zone in which the student lives. This legislation also permits school divisions to assess reasonable fees to such students to cover the costs of participation in such interscholastic programs. Since divisions already have staff required for the interscholastic athletics, the passage of this legislation should not have a state fiscal impact. Presuming no additional staff and minimal equipment purchases, the fiscal burden on the local level should also be minimal.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Board of Education and local school divisions.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** Similar to HB70 and HB1001.

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