Department of Planning and Budget 2013 Fiscal Impact Statement

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4. Title: Boards of visitors of public institutions of higher education; public access to information.

- 5. Summary: Adds specific topics to be covered during the educational programs for governing boards and requires such programs to be delivered by the State Council of Higher Education annually. The bill also requires each board of visitors to adopt bylaws with certain provisions relating to the Freedom of Information Act; annually meet with the president of the institution to deliver a review of the president's performance; designate its executive committee to organize the working processes of the board and recommend best practices for board governance; and annually deliver an executive summary of its interim activities to the General Assembly and the Governor.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Item 146.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

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Fiscal Year	D	ollars	Positions	Fund
2013	\$	-	0	
2014	\$	50,000	0	GF
2015	\$	50,000	0	GF
2016	\$	50,000	0	GF
2017	\$	50,000	0	GF
2018	\$	50,000	0	GF

- 8. Fiscal Implications: This legislation repeals §23-87.95 of the Code of Virginia and replaces it with HB1952. It outlines detailed extensive detailed responsibilities of the boards of visitors that must be completed in coordination with the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia. The State Council of Higher Education for Virginia indicates they would have increased costs of the board orientation and would require up to an additional \$50,000 year. Although responses from all 17 colleges and universities have not been received, several colleges and universities indicated that they anticipate additional costs and may request general fund support to meet the detailed requirements of the legislation, including additional travel expenses for the orientation program.
- **9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** All state supported colleges and universities, the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia.
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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