

## **Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** SB930-ER

<b>House of Origin</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
<b>Second House</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Howell

**3. Committee:** Passed Both Houses

**4. Title:** Virginia Military Family Relief Fund; benefits for state active duty missions.

**5. Summary:** Allows members of the Virginia National Guard and Virginia residents who are members of the reserves of the United States Armed Forces to receive benefits from the Virginia Military Family Relief Fund for missions in support of Virginia civil authorities for periods in excess of 30 days.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Final.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** According to the Department of Military Affairs, the bill is not expected to negatively impact the agency. The Military Family Relief Fund is a non-reverting state fund comprised of general fund dollars and tax payer contributions. The program is used to provide limited financial relief to military members who have been called to extended federal active duty in excess of 90 days. Relief has historically been provided for such things as electric and phone bills, and auto repairs. The bill extends that assistance to military members who are called up for mission in support of Virginia civil authorities, including state active duty and federal defense support to civil authority missions, for periods in excess of 30 days. The current nongeneral fund appropriation is \$25,000. The agency expects the source of funding to support this program will primarily come from donations.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Military Affairs

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

**11. Other Comments:** None.