Department of Planning and Budget 2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	SB 1430		
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled
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- **2. Patron:** Senator Reeves
- 3. Committee: Education
- 4. Title: Enhance guidelines for student medical and behavioral health services
- **5. Summary:** This bill requires that policies developed and implemented by public institutions of higher education regarding suicide prevention ensure that after a student suicide, affected students have access to reasonable medical and behavioral health services including postvention services. Postvention services are defined as those designed to facilitate the grieving or adjustment process, stabilize the environment, reduce the risk of negative behaviors, and prevent exposure to suicide or suicidal behaviors.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary (see Section 8)
- 8. Fiscal Implications: Most of Virginia's public institutions of higher education should have established policies regarding mental health services for their students. This bill requires the addition of postvention services, which the public institutions of higher education may offer to some degree. Any fiscal impact resulting from this bill would be addressed by the public institutions of higher education using their existing resources.
- **9.** Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia's public institutions of higher education

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

Date: 02/21/17 c: Secretary of Education