

Department of Planning and Budget 2018 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 339

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: Delegate Simon

3. Committee: Appropriations

4. Title: Provide repayment options to students who receive loans from public institutions of higher education

5. Summary: This bill requires a public institution of higher education to offer a student debtor, currently enrolled in the institution, either:

- the option to pay his debt in periodic payments over the course of the term or semester in which the account became past due; or
- a longer payment period – at the discretion of the institution – provided that the payments are promptly paid until the account is satisfied.

In the event that a debtor is delinquent by 60 days in reimbursing a periodic payment or for an alternative period approved by the Division of Debt Collection of the Office of the Attorney General, subsections B and C of Section 2.2-4806 of the Code of Virginia will be used.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary (see Section 8)

8. Fiscal Implications: Given that the requirements of this proposed legislation are relatively permissive in nature, the public institutions of higher education should be able to absorb any costs resulting from the implementation of this bill 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: 01/19/18

c: Secretary of Education