

Department of Planning and Budget

2018 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB143

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

2. Patron: Spruill

3. Committee: Education and Health

4. Title: Mortuary science education; practical experience required.

5. Summary: Requires every public institution of higher education that offers a degree in mortuary science to require students to complete practical experience in the areas of funeral service and embalming during such program. The bill also provides that a person who is duly enrolled in a mortuary education program may assist in embalming while under the supervision of a funeral service licensee or embalmer with an active, unrestricted license issued by the Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers, provided that such embalming occurs in a funeral service establishment licensed by the Board and in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Board.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: Mortuary science degrees are currently offered at John Tyler Community College, Tidewater Community College, and Mountain Empire Community College. Students would complete a practical experience externally, and the colleges would bear no additional cost.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia Community College System, Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.