

Department of Planning and Budget

2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB170ER

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

2. Patron: Locke

3. Committee: Passed both House and Senate.

4. Title: Public schools; school resource officers and school security officers; data

5. Summary: Currently, the Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety collects, analyzes, and disseminate various Virginia school safety data, including school safety audit information. The proposed legislation requires the Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS), in coordination with the Department of Education and the Department of Juvenile Justice, to annually collect, report, and publish on its website data on the use of force against students, including the use of chemical, mechanical, or other restraints and instances of seclusion; detentions of students; arrests of students; student referrals to court or court service units; and other disciplinary actions by school resource officers involving students. The data must (i) be published in a manner that protects the identities of students and (ii) be disaggregated by local school division and by student age, grade, race, ethnicity, gender, and disability, if such data is available.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Item 404 and Item 143.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final (see Item 8 below).

8. Fiscal Implications: The Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) reports that it currently does not collect all of the data enumerated in the proposed legislation and requires one full-time researcher position to adhere to the requirements of the proposed legislation. DCJS reports that a research analysts would cost \$132,254, which consists of \$80,000 for salary and benefits and personnel costs.

The Department of Education reports that it will need one full-time position, at an estimated cost of \$123,300 for salary, benefits, and support costs, in order to comply with the data collection requirements in the proposed legislation. The Department of Juvenile Justice does not anticipate a fiscal impact as a result of the proposed legislation. The fiscal impact to local school districts and local law enforcement cannot be determined.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: The Department of Criminal Justice Services; the Department of Education; the Department of Juvenile Justice; local school districts; local law enforcement.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: This bill is identical to HB271