

Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB753ER

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

2. Patron: Reeves

3. Committee: Passed both houses

4. Title: Virginia National Guard; state active duty for emergency response; pay and allowances for members.

5. Summary: The proposed legislation provides that whenever called to state active duty in response to certain emergencies, members of the National Guard and the Virginia Defense Force receive pay and allowance equal to their rank and years of service, as determined by the Department of Military Affairs. The bill also authorizes the Adjutant General to increase state active duty pay on an annual basis by a rate not to exceed the most recent percentage increase in basic pay for members of the Armed Forces.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

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

8. Fiscal Implications: The proposed legislation would increase the cost of the state response to emergencies in which the National Guard is mobilized, such as hurricanes, fires, and floods, by establishing the daily pay for enlisted members. The state uses the sum sufficient appropriation provided for the Governor to reimburse state agencies for the costs they incur during these responses. The additional cost would be dependent on the number of Guardsmen mobilized for an event, as well as how many major events there were in a year.

The engrossed bill includes an enactment clause stating that the provisions of the proposed legislation shall not become effective unless an appropriation effectuating its purposes is included in a general appropriation act passed in 2020 by the General Assembly that becomes law.

Item 472.C. of the introduced budget (HB30/SB30) includes language identical to the proposed legislation.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Military Affairs; Department of Emergency Management.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.