

Virginia Retirement System 2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number** HB1669

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed

Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. **Patron** Callahan

3. **Committee** Counties, Cities and Towns

4. **Title** Retirement benefits for local public safety employees.

5. **Summary/Purpose:**

This bill provides that any member of a police department or fire department who becomes disabled while discharging official duties or who has completed 20 years of service and has reached the age of 50 may retire with certain disability or retirement benefits. The bill applies to all counties outside of the VRS having the county manager plan of government. Current law provides such benefits only to members of police departments in counties having the county manager plan of government, except Arlington County.

6. **No Fiscal Impact**

7. **Budget amendment necessary:** None

8. **Fiscal implications:** While there is no fiscal impact on the Commonwealth, there may be local costs associated with this bill for any county that is affected.

9. **Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Counties outside of the VRS with the county manager form of government.

10. **Technical amendment necessary:** None

11. **Other comments:** Because this bill amends Chapter 8 of Title 51.1, which are general provisions and does not amend the VRS provisions, it applies to only counties that do not participate in the VRS.

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