Department of Planning and Budget 2004 Fiscal Impact Statement

| 1. | Bill Numbe | r HB545 |
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| | House of Orig | gin Introduced Substitute Engrossed |
| | Second House | Enrolled Substitute Enrolled |
| 2. | Patron | May |
| 3. | Committee | Senate Rules |
| 4. | Title | Conduct feasibility study for multi-university collaboration |

- 5. Summary/Purpose: Requires the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia to conduct a feasibility study on building an academic research and advanced education enterprise in northern Virginia and Hampton Roads to provide a vehicle for multi-university collaboration and closer ties to industry. The State Council is to report its findings to the Governor and the General Assembly by November 30, 2004.
- **6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are:** Preliminary. See line 8.

6a. Expenditure Impact:

| Fiscal Year | Dollars | Positions | Fund |
|-------------|-----------|------------------|------|
| 2003-04 | | | |
| 2004-05 | \$120,000 | | GF |
| 2005-06 | | | |

- 7. Budget amendment necessary: Yes, Item 165 for the State Council of Higher Education.
- **8. Fiscal implications:** According to the State Council of Higher Education, one-time costs estimated at \$120,000 would be needed to obtain a consultant to undertake the work associated with the required feasibility study and meet the November 30, 2004 reporting date.
- 9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:

State Council of Higher Education Institutions of Higher Education

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Education