

Department of Planning and Budget
2007 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB1962

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

2. Patron O'Bannon

3. Committee Education

4. Title Students with disabilities; provides due process procedures therefor.

5. Summary/Purpose: Provides that due process procedures prescribed by the Board of Education must require that testimony be given under oath or affirmation administered by the hearing officer.

6. No Fiscal Impact.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications: The legislation requires that any testimony given during due process procedures for children with disabilities and their parents or guardians and school divisions in resolving disputes shall be given under oath or affirmation. These procedures are administered by a hearing officer as currently prescribed in § 22.1-214 of the Code of Virginia. It is anticipated that any costs associated with requiring sworn testimony in such proceedings would be negligible for the Commonwealth.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of Education, local school divisions, students with disabilities.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: This bill is similar to SB847.

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