

## **Virginia Retirement System 2009 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB2146

**House of Origin**      X     Introduced                 Substitute                 Engrossed

**Second House**                 In Committee             Substitute                 Enrolled

**2. Patron:**        Nutter

**3. Committee:** Appropriations

**4. Title:**        **Virginia Retirement System; local school board members.**

**5. Summary:** Virginia Retirement System; local school board members. Adds school board members to the Virginia Retirement System membership.

**6. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** See Fiscal Implications

**7. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The cost of participation of local employees is borne by the individual locality. There is no fiscal impact on the Commonwealth.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** VRS and local school boards

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** VRS has several observations related to this bill:

This bill would set a precedent by allowing local elected officials, other than Constitutional Officers, to participate in the VRS.

Local school board members are generally part time “employees.” This potentially conflicts with Section 51.1-132 which defines eligible local employees as those who are employed on a full-time salaried basis and whose appointment is not temporary or provisional.

Local elected school board members, who would serve less than 5 years, would not meet the vesting requirement.

Because of the part time nature of school boards, members may be covered for retirement in their full time positions.

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