

Department of Planning and Budget 2009 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 2327

House of Origin X Introduced Substitute Engrossed

Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Athey

3. Committee: Education

4. Title: Community College Scholarship Match Program

5. Summary: Establishes the Community College Scholarship Match Program to provide matching funds to community college foundations and the Virginia Foundation for Community College Education. Funds may be paid on the basis of one dollar of state general fund appropriation for every one dollar donated by private individuals, foundations, or corporations beginning on July 1, 2009. These funds must be used to award scholarships to students who (i) are domiciled residents of Virginia, (ii) graduated from a public or private Virginia high school, and (iii) are enrolled in a Virginia community college. The provisions of the bill are contingent upon an appropriation of general funds in the appropriation act by the 2009 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final, see item 8.

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Item 213.

8. Fiscal Implications: This program establishes the Community College Scholarship Match Program which contributes one dollar of general fund support for each dollar donated by private individuals, foundations, or corporations on or after July 1, 2009. The limit, according to the legislation, is \$5 million. Thus, the fiscal impact to the general fund could be up to \$5 million annually.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia Community Colleges, Virginia Foundation for Community College Education.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: The program specifies the general fund match to be provided for private funds collected on or after July 1, 2009. Companion bills are HB1612, SB866 and SB1118.

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C: Secretary of Education

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