## Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	: HB41					
	House of Origin	<u>X</u>	Introduced		Substitute		Engrossed
	<b>Second House</b>		In Committee		Substitute		Enrolled
2.	Patron:	Putney					
3.	Committee: Appropriations						
1.	Title: Higher Education 9(c) Issuance Bill						
	Summary/Purpose: This bill authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds						

**5. Summary/Purpose:** This bill authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds subject to the provisions of Article X, Section 9(c) of the Constitution of Virginia in an amount not to exceed \$206,870,000 plus financing costs for revenue-producing capital projects. Of this amount, \$750,000 relates to a supplement for a previously authorized project. The remaining \$206,120,000 is for new capital projects.

The bonds are backed by the full faith and credit of the Commonwealth and therefore, constitute tax-supported debt. The bill also states that an emergency exists and that the bill is in force from its passage.

- **6. No Fiscal Impact:** It is expected that the projects, included in the bill, will generate sufficient nongeneral fund revenues to pay operating expenses and debt service.
- 7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- **8. Fiscal implications:** Institutions will need nongeneral fund appropriations for debt service once the projects are complete. Institutions of higher education affected by the bill must set rates, fees, and/or charges at levels that will generate sufficient net revenues to retire the debt.
- 9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:

Christopher Newport University

Norfolk State University

Virginia Commonwealth University

Department of the Treasury

George Mason University

College of William and Mary

Virginia Tech

Treasury Board

- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary:
- 11. Other Comments: House Bill 41 is identical to Senate Bill 15.

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