Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	HB41		
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	X Enrolled

- 2. Patron: Putney
- **3. Committee:** Passed Both Houses

4. Title: Higher Education 9(c) Issuance Bill

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: Final. 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.

Date: 2/24/10/aps **Document:** g:\aps\legislation\2010\HB41Enrolled.doc