

## Department of Planning and Budget 2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB1184ER

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

**2. Patron:** Rust

**3. Committee:** Passed both Houses

**4. Title:** Dual enrollment for high school students at the Virginia Community Colleges

**5. Summary:** Requires local school boards and community colleges to develop agreements allowing high school students to complete an associate's degree or a one-year Uniform Certificate of General Studies from a community college concurrent with a high school diploma.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Indeterminate. Final. See item 8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The community colleges, to varying degrees, have dual enrollment arrangements with local divisions in their service areas; thus, the cost to implement this is anticipated to be negligible. The arrangements vary from community college to community college; some school divisions absorb the cost of tuition, some pass the cost of tuition on to the parents, and some colleges "discount" the cost of tuition back to the school divisions. Dual enrollment students' count in the FTE general fund/nongeneral fund mix for community colleges, and increased participation could require additional general fund support in the future. Such costs cannot be determined at this time.

The Virginia Community College System estimates that 443 additional students would probably elect this option the first year, with 885 students electing this option each year on a permanent basis. These additional students may result in additional tuition and fee revenue to the Virginia Community College System if the arrangements made with local school districts include tuition support from the school district or the student. Such revenues cannot be determined at this time.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Virginia Community Colleges, local school districts.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** None.

**Date:** Wednesday, February 29, 2012

C: Secretary of Education