

Department of Planning and Budget 2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB195ER

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

2. Patron: Lewis

3. Committee: Passed both Houses

4. Title: Higher educational institutions; course credit for military experience.

5. Summary: Requires the governing boards of each public institution of higher education to implement policies that award academic credit to students for educational experience gained from military service.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. No Fiscal Impact: Final. See item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: Most colleges and universities have policies in place that consider work experience, including military experience, when determining the number of credits required for degree completion. This review is usually undertaken by the colleges' continuing education department, where a review and certification of each applicant's credits and work history are identified. Each college and university would apply their own standard to each applicant, consistent with the guidelines of the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia. For these reasons, no fiscal impact on higher education institutions is anticipated from the provisions of this legislation.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: All state colleges and universities.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

Date: February 23, 2012

C: Secretary of Education