

Department of Planning and Budget 2013 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 1617

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

2. Patron: Delegate Gilbert

3. Committee: Education

4. Title: Prohibit higher education institutions from discriminatory practices directed at student organizations

5. Summary: This bill prohibits public institutions of higher education that grant recognition of and access to any student organization or group from discriminating against a student organization or group on the basis of the religious, political, philosophical, organizational content, or speech of said group. In addition, it authorizes only those individuals committed to supporting the missions of the religious or political student organizations to conduct the necessary activities to that end. Finally, this bill prohibits public higher education institutions from denying recognition or any privilege or benefit to any religious or political student organization or group that limits its core functions to persons committed to its mission.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary (see Section 8)

8. Fiscal Implications: As it is currently written, this proposed legislation does not have a fiscal impact on the Commonwealth.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia's institutions of higher education

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: Yes. Line 14, change "institutions" to "institution".

11. Other Comments: None.

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c: Secretary of Education