

## Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB1676

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:** Byron

**3. Committee:** Passed both houses

**4. Title:** Dual enrollment; career and technical education.

**5. Summary:** The bill would allow local school boards to enter into agreements with Virginia educational institutions to allow students to take courses as part of the career and technical education curriculum that lead to an industry-recognized credential, certification, or license concurrent with a high school diploma.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** None.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Final. See Item 8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The bill would expand the scope of the dual enrollment agreements between community colleges and local school divisions. Currently, school divisions must have agreements with community colleges specifying options for students to complete an associate's degree concurrent with a high school diploma. This legislation would provide an option for school divisions to have agreements with community colleges, as well as other educational institutions, for certain credentials, certifications, and licenses.

The 23 Virginia community colleges currently have different cost structures for dual enrollment courses. These agreements are worked out at the local level between the school division and the community colleges, and various fee arrangements are used. The agreements may provide that the students pay tuition, the local school division provide for the cost, or that the community college or other educational institution waive tuition. The state and local fiscal impact from the proposed legislation cannot be determined at this time.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Virginia Community College System, institutions of higher education, local school divisions

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** None.

**11. Other Comments:** None.

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