

Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1791

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: Massie

3. Committee: Passed Both Houses

4. Title: Members of governing boards of public institutions of higher education

5. Summary: The legislation provides that if a member of the board of visitors of a four-year public institution of higher education or the State Board for Community Colleges fails to attend the meetings of the board for one year without sufficient cause, as determined by a majority vote of the board, or to attend certain required educational programs in his first two years of membership, then the member is removed from office. The bill also states that: “No member serving as of January 15, 2015 shall be removed for failing to attend the educational programs required by § 23-9.14:1 if he attends such training by January 1, 2016.”

The bill repeals existing provisions regarding the removal of members and requires the board of visitors of each four-year public institution of higher education and the State Board for Community Colleges to adopt policies regarding the removal process. The bill also prohibits a member who has served for two successive four-year terms from being eligible for reappointment to a board for eight years after the end of his second successive four-year term.

Finally, the bill changes the terms of the board of visitors of George Mason University to prohibit members from serving more than two successive four-year terms. However, members appointed to serve an unexpired term shall be eligible to serve two successive four-year terms.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. No Fiscal Impact: Final.

8. Fiscal Implications: None.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:

Members of the governing boards of public institutions of higher education and the State Board of Community Colleges

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.