

## **Department of Planning and Budget**

### **2016 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB896-H1

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

**2. Patron:** Greason

**3. Committee:** Health, Welfare and Institutions

**4. Title:** Background checks; certain private school employees.

**5. Summary:** Requires private schools that operate a child welfare agency regulated by the Department of Social Services (DSS) to comply with the background check requirements in § 63.2-1720.1 of the Code of Virginia. In addition, this bill requires a Virginia central registry search for employees of accredited private schools and a search of similar child abuse and neglect registries in other states where the individual has resided in the previous five years as a condition of employment in an accredited private school.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary; see Item 8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** More individuals will likely obtain central registry checks as a result of this legislation because private school employees are not currently required by state law to do so. However, the Department of Social Services has no way of knowing how many additional individuals in private schools will in fact obtain a central registry check based on this legislation. The central registry check fee is \$10; registry checks are funded through fee revenue. There is no effect on the general fund.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Social Services

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:**