Department of Planning and Budget 2018 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	HB 1279		
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled

2. Patron: Delegate Tran

3. Committee: Education

- **4. Title:** Establish policies at public institutions of higher education for the awarding of academic credit for military training
- **5. Summary:** This bill requires the governing board of each public institution of higher education to adopt a policy for the award of academic credit to any student enrolled at the institution who has successfully completed a military training course or program as part of his military service that is applicable to the student's certificate of degree requirements and is:
 - recommended for academic credit by a national higher education association that provides academic credit recommendations for military training courses or programs,
 - noted on the student's military transcript issued by any of the Armed Forces of the United States, or
 - otherwise documented in writing by any of the Armed Forces of the United States.

This bill also repeals § 23.1-2907 of the Code of Virginia regarding the awarding of academic credit for military training.

- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary (see Section 8)
- **8. Fiscal Implications:** The public institutions of higher education indicate that the requirements of this bill do not differ greatly from their current policies. Therefore, any costs to the institutions resulting from the implementation of this proposed legislation could be absorbed using their existing resources.
- **9.** Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia's public institutions of higher education

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

Date: 01/22/18 c: Secretary of Education