

Department of Planning and Budget 2018 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 269

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: Bell, John J.

3. Committee: Militia, Police and Public Safety

4. Title: State active duty pay

5. Summary:

Under current law, members of the Virginia National Guard, when called into state active duty service, receive the same pay and allowances as prescribed for members of like rank in the U.S. Armed Forces. The proposed legislation would continue to base daily pay for state active duty on the pay and allowances for the federal armed forces, but stipulate that no member receive basic pay less than that prescribed for a member with the rank of E-6 with more than 18 years of service.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: None.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications:

The proposed legislation would increase the cost of the state response to emergencies in which the National Guard is mobilized, such as hurricanes, fires, and floods, by establishing a minimum "floor" for the daily pay for enlisted members. The additional cost would be dependent on the number of Guardsmen mobilized for an event, as well as how many major events there were in a year. Using the recent 2017 Charlottesville event, in which 499 Guardsmen were used and an average of three major events a year, the agency estimates the additional cost would be approximately \$50,000 per year. The state uses the sum sufficient appropriation provided for the Governor to reimburse agencies for the costs they incur during these responses.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:

Department of Military Affairs
Department of Emergency Management

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None.

11. Other Comments: None.