

## Department of Planning and Budget 2018 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** SB775

**House of Origin**     Introduced     Substitute     Engrossed  
**Second House**     In Committee     Substitute     Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Locke

3. **Committee:** Education and Health

4. **Title:** Public schools; military children; tuition.

5. **Summary:** Prohibits the child of a person on active military duty who is attending school for free from being charged upon such child's relocation pursuant to orders his parent received to relocate to a new duty station or to be deployed. The bill allows the child to remain enrolled in the current school division free of tuition through the end of the school year. The bill also prohibits the child of a person on active military duty who is eligible to attend a school for free from being charged tuition by a school division that will be that child's school division of residence upon such child's service member parent's relocation to the jurisdiction for that school division pursuant to orders received.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

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

8. **Fiscal Implications:** The proposed legislation has an indeterminate, but likely minimal, fiscal impact. Any time a student moves from one local school division to another within Virginia, the state share of cost follows the student and is paid to the serving school division. Given this, there could be a financial cost or savings to the state depending on the local composite index of each division. Any student who transfers to a school division in Virginia from out-of-state results in an indeterminate cost to the state.

Local school divisions will be required to pay the local share of the cost to educate these students without the ability to charge tuition unless the family does not establish and prove permanent residency within 120 days of enrollment.

Any fiscal impact resulting from the proposed legislation would reflect only the period of time during which such child is enrolled in the new school division prior to establishing permanent residency.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Education, local school divisions

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** None