

Department of Planning and Budget

2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB140

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: Stuart

3. Committee: General Laws and Technology

4. Title: Virginia Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) relating to pledges and donations at public institutions of higher education.

5. Summary: The proposed legislation provides that no discretionary exclusion in FOIA shall apply to protect information relating to the amount, date, purpose, and terms of a pledge or donation made to a public institution of higher education. The bill also provides that the identity of the donor shall be protected only if (i) the donor has requested anonymity in connection with or as a condition of making a pledge or donation and (ii) the pledge or donation does not impose terms or conditions related to academic decision-making. This bill is a recommendation of the Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

8. Fiscal Implications: None.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:

Public institutions of higher education
Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.