

Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB845

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: Ebbin

3. Committee: Education and Health

4. Title: Local school boards; mold testing; parental notification.

5. Summary: Requires each local school board to develop and implement a plan to test and, if necessary, remediate mold from sources identified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as high priority for testing. The bill requires local school boards to give priority in the testing plan to schools whose school building was constructed, in whole or in part, before 1986 and to submit their testing plan and any testing results to the Department of Health. The bill also requires local school boards to take all steps necessary to notify the parents of all enrolled students if testing results indicate the presence of mold in a school building.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: See item 8.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary, see item 8.

7a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2021	\$195,950	01000
2022	\$45,700	01000
2023	\$45,700	01000
2024	\$45,700	01000
2025	\$45,700	01000
2026	\$45,700	01000

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill would not have a fiscal impact on the Commonwealth as the bill does not require the Virginia Department of Health (VDH) to take any action on the plans or results that local school boards submit. However, if VDH were required to review or provide technical assistance to the local school boards, additional resources would be necessary.

The department would need to develop a database to accept and track plans and results that school boards submit. Based on the cost of existing hardware and infrastructure for similar databases within the agency, the cost to develop a similar system is estimated to be \$195,950 in the first year. The ongoing operation and maintenance cost, including user access and support for the module is estimated to be \$45,700 per year.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: The Virginia Department of Health and all local school boards.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.