Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	SB897					
	House of Origin	\boxtimes	Introduced		Substitute		Engrossed
	Second House		In Committee		Substitute		Enrolled
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2. Patron: DeSteph

3. Committee: Education and Health

- **4. Title:** Public institutions of higher education; governing boards; educational programs.
- 5. Summary: Requires all members of governing boards of public institutions of higher education to participate in educational programs designed to address the role, duties, and responsibilities of the governing boards at least once within the first two years of membership and at least once within every two years of membership thereafter. Under current law, new members are required to participate in such programs at least once during their first two years of membership. The bill requires each public institution of higher education to maintain on its website the names of all voting members of the governing board who successfully complete such educational programs, as certified by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See Item 8.
- 8. Fiscal Implications: The State Council of Higher Education for Virginia currently holds an annual orientation for new Board members. These annual programs could be expanded to include returning members, and the fiscal impacts of marginal increases in facility space, event staffing, and program development would be minimal.
- **9.** Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: The State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, Public institutions of higher education in Virginia.
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.
- **11. Other Comments:** Identical to HB 611.