

Department of Planning and Budget

2023 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB905E

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☒ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: DeSteph

3. Committee: Committee on General Laws and Technology

4. Title: Police powers of fire marshals; training requirements.

5. Summary: Provides that a local fire marshal or assistant shall not exercise any police powers until such person has satisfactorily completed a basic law-enforcement course for fire marshals with police powers and maintains satisfactory participation in in-service and advanced courses and programs. The bill also provides that current or prior certification as a law-enforcement officer may satisfy the police powers training requirements.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary (see Item 8).

8. Fiscal Implications: According to the Department of Fire Programs, the language in the proposal will not affect the operations of the Virginia Fire Marshal Academy. There is no anticipated fiscal impact on the Department's operations.

According to the Department of Criminal Justice Services, there is no anticipated fiscal impact on the agency's operations.

The fiscal impact on localities where local fire marshals and assistants may not be covered by the Line of Duty Act (LODA) cannot be determined at this time.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Fire Programs, Department of Criminal Justice Services, Virginia Retirement System.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.