

Department of Planning and Budget 2024 Session Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB625S1

House of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: Rasoul

3. Committee: Finance and Appropriations

4. Title: Public education; community schools; Office of Community Schools at Department of Education.

5. Summary: Requires the Department of Education to establish the Office of Community Schools within the Department for the purpose of supporting the development and growth of community schools throughout the Commonwealth in accordance with the Virginia Community School Framework and requires the Office, subject to appropriation, to establish and administer the Community School Development and Implementation Planning Grant for the purpose of providing grants to school boards that seek to designate any school within the local school division as a community school and present a plan for the sustainable funding for such community schools. The bill requires that the Office shall offer funding to applicants for any public school that is in the top 20 percent of public schools in the Commonwealth for highest identified student percentage based on data from the immediately preceding school year.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Item 117.

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

8. Fiscal Implications: The Department of Education (DOE) anticipates that three additional positions would be required to staff a new Office of Community Schools and administer the program established by the bill at an estimated total cost of \$415,512 general fund per year beginning in FY2025 for salary, benefits, and technology.

The amount of funding necessary for the Community School Development and Implementation Planning Grants is indeterminate and depends on the amount of funding appropriated by the General Assembly for such grants and the size of such grants.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: This version of the bill is in conflict with SB608 as enrolled.