

Department of Planning and Budget 2024 Session Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB827

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

2. Patron: Cousins

3. Committee: Appropriations

4. Title: Public institutions of higher education; on-campus food insecurity; report.

5. Summary: Requires the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia to survey public institutions of higher education and provide a guidance document containing best practices to address on-campus food insecurity. The bill requires the Council to submit a report to the Chairmen of the House Committee on Appropriations, the House Committee on Education, the Senate Committee on Education and Health, and the Senate Committee on Finance and Appropriations no later than November 1, 2024.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: The State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) does not have staff or appropriation available to support the new requirements of this bill. SCHEV anticipates needing a quarter of one full-time employee, which is estimated at a one-time cost of \$25,000 general fund in FY 2025, to meet reporting requirements and create the designated documentation for institutions. Multiple bills place similar requirements on SCHEV related to new programs and activities. Depending on the additional requirements resulting from 2024 legislation, SCHEV may support these activities with a wage employee or may need to hire an additional employee to support multiple new programs and activities.

It is anticipated that public institutions of higher education could meet the survey requirements with existing resources.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, public institutions of higher education

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: This bill is similar to SB318 and HB881.