

Department of Planning and Budget 2021 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1776

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Ward

3. Committee: Finance and Appropriations

4. Title: Board of Education; temporary extension of certain licenses.

5. Summary: Requires the Board of Education to grant a two-year extension of the license of any individual licensed by the Board of Education whose license expires on June 30, 2021, in order to provide the individual with sufficient additional time to complete the requirements for licensure.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Item 142.

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

8. Fiscal Implications: The Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) estimates a licensure revenue loss of \$294,520 as a result of this legislation. This estimate is based on 29,452 licenses that still need to be renewed by June 30, 2021, and a \$50.00 renewal fee for a 10-year license. Because this bill grants an additional two-years of licensure to individuals whose license expires on June 30, 2021, lost revenue amounts to \$5.00 per year for two years for 29,452 individuals. This estimate is lower than the estimate for the introduced bill, as it accounts for individuals who have already submitted a renewal application to VDOE this year.

The engrossed version of this bill also will extend licenses for individuals with provisional and one-year licenses that expire on June 30, 2021. VDOE does not collect a fee for these licenses, but the agency will require additional administrative resources to process the extensions for these licenses. VDOE estimates the need for a part-time position to process extensions for more than 4,500 such licenses at an additional state general fund cost of \$30,000 in fiscal year 2021.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia Department of Education

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: This bill requires an emergency clause to be effective immediately upon passage.