## Department of Planning and Budget 2025 General Assembly Session State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: HB1694 Patron: Askew

Bill Title: Virginia Military Survivors and Dependents Education Program; annual report on eligibility

and usage required.

**Bill Summary:** Requires the Department of Veterans Services and the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia to coordinate to report no later than November 15 of each year to the Chairmen of the House Committee on Appropriations and the Senate Committee on Finance and Appropriations (i) the number of qualified survivors and dependents who have been determined to be eligible for a waiver of tuition and mandatory fees at a public institution of higher education pursuant to the Virginia Military Survivors and Dependents Education Program but have not yet enrolled at such an institution and (ii) the best available estimate of the number of qualified survivors and dependents who are enrolled at each public institution of higher education with a waiver of tuition and mandatory fees pursuant to the Program as of November 1 of the current fall semester.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No Items Impacted: None

**Explanation:** Not applicable

**Fiscal Summary:** There is no anticipated fiscal impact on state agencies that cannot be absorbed.

**Fiscal Analysis:** Any fiscal impact to the Department of Veterans Services and the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia is expected to be minor and absorbable.

**Other:** This bill is similar to HB1613.