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Bill Number: SB962

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Bill Title: Virginia Public Procurement Act; additional public works contract requirements.

Bill Summary: Provides that public bodies shall require the contractor and its subcontractors for any capital outlay project, as defined in the bill, to complete certain safety training programs, maintain records of compliance with applicable laws, and participate in approved apprenticeship training programs. The bill provides exemptions from such requirements for reasons related to lack of availability of apprentices and high costs. The bill has a delayed effective date of July 1, 2026.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No

Items Impacted:

Explanation: The fiscal impact of this legislation is indeterminate.

Fiscal Summary: The fiscal impact of this legislation is indeterminate. The bill may increase costs across all capital projects for all public bodies subject to the Virginia Public Procurement Act.

Fiscal Analysis: The fiscal impact of this legislation is indeterminate. The bill impacts capital outlay projects by requiring contractors and subcontractors participate in apprenticeship programs. The bill requires contractors and subcontractors to provide reports certifying apprentice labor hours worked and the applicable trade in which the work was performed on the project. As certain contractors may abstain from participation in apprenticeship programs, the legislation may cause an increase in bid price.

This bill applies to all public bodies subject to the Virginia Public Procurement Act (VPPA). This bill does not apply to higher education institutions operating under Management Agreements and Memoranda of Understanding in the operational area of procurement (currently fourteen Level III and Level II institutions).

Other: This bill is nearly identical to HB1273H2 from the 2024 legislative session.