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Bill Number: SB962H1 Patron: Carroll Foy

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 substitute provides exemptions from such requirements for reasons related to lack of availability of apprentices and high costs.

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. This bill may affect the pool of contractors and the price of capital projects.

Fiscal Analysis: The bill impacts all capital 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. This requirement could potentially limit the pool of bidders and increase 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). Additionally, the bill will not apply to local governments that have exempted themselves from the VPPA as authorized by § 2.2-4343 (9, 10, 11).

Other: The House substitute bill is identical to HB2482H1.