

Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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ORIGINAL

Bill Number: HB210 **Patron:** Price
Bill Title: School meal debt; annual report.

Bill Summary: Requires each school board to annually report to the Department of Education the amount of school meal debt in the local school division and directs the Department to annually aggregate and submit such reports to the General Assembly, provided that no such report contains any personally identifiable student information. This bill is a recommendation of the Virginia Commission to End Hunger.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No

Items Impacted: None

Explanation: There is no anticipated state fiscal impact resulting from the provisions of this bill. Any impact to local school divisions is indeterminate.

Fiscal Analysis: The Department of Education (DOE) can absorb any impact to collect and aggregate the school meal debt data as required by the bill. Any impact to local school divisions is indeterminate.

DOE notes that there are a number of bills that require the Department to develop new guidelines, resources, or reports. While the work of each individual bill may be absorbed by existing staff, if several of these bills are adopted during the 2026 session, additional resources may be required.

Other: None