



**Department of Planning and Budget**  
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**State Fiscal Impact Statement**

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indeterminate fiscal impact to the System for the funding-contingent dual enrollment counselor positions required by the bill. VCCS would require additional staffing at each community college in order to provide the required services to all public high schools in the Commonwealth. VCCS estimates that the cost for salary, benefits, and non-personal services support could exceed \$120,000 per position. Additional staff would be required to provide coordination and supervision at each community college and the VCCS System Office. The Department of Education reports 330 public high schools in the Commonwealth in the 2025-2026 school year.

Responding baccalaureate public institutions of higher education anticipate indeterminate fiscal impacts as a result of this bill. Baccalaureate institutions indicate there may be revenue losses, as students earning fully transferrable meta-major associates degrees would not be required to take lower-level courses. Additionally, institutions anticipate potential costs related to a decreased reliance on adjunct faculty, alterations to current coursework, updates to advising processes and degree audit systems, and difficulties integrating with unique academic programs.

The State Council of Higher Education for Virginia does not anticipate a fiscal impact as a result of this bill.

The Department of Education does not anticipate a fiscal impact as a result of this bill.

**Other:** This fiscal impact statement is preliminary and based on feedback received from agencies as of the date of publication.