Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: SB820ER **Patron:** Suetterlein
Bill Title: Community Builders Pilot Program; name change; sunset repeal; statewide demonstration model site.

Bill Summary: Makes permanent and renames the Community Builders Pilot Program established within Roanoke City Public Schools and Petersburg City Public Schools as the Community Builders Program. The Community Builders Pilot Program is currently set to expire on July 1, 2027. The bill also requires, with such funds as may be appropriated by the General Assembly for such purpose pursuant to the general appropriation act, Roanoke City Public Schools to serve as the statewide demonstration model site for the Program for the purpose of hosting interested representatives of other school divisions to observe the Program and receive training and materials from Roanoke City Public Schools in order to facilitate the replication of the Program in such other school divisions.

Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, language **Items Impacted:** 124
Explanation: A language amendment is required under Item 124 to modify the program name.

This bill makes permanent an existing pilot program, renames the program, and authorizes additional program activity with such funds as may be appropriated for such purposes. HB30 authorizes funding for the pilot program in each year of the 2026-2028 biennium, and there is no state fiscal impact to continue the existing program at the current funding level. Any fiscal impact would depend on any additional amount appropriated.

Fiscal Analysis: This bill makes permanent the existing Community Builders Pilot Program. There is no anticipated state fiscal impact to continue this program at the current funding level. The Governor's Introduced Budget, HB30, provides $300,000 general fund each year to be provided to the cities of Roanoke and Petersburg for the program.

The bill also provides that, with such funds as may be appropriated, Roanoke shall serve as the statewide demonstration model site for the program to facilitate the replication of the program in other school divisions. Any actual fiscal impact is dependent on any additional amount appropriated for this purpose.

Other: This bill is identical to HB1153 as enrolled**.**

Senate amendments to HB/SB 30 implement the required language change.