

Department of Planning and Budget 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB701

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Kory

3. Committee: General Laws

4. Title: Uniform Statewide Building Code; local building codes and regulations; energy efficiency.

5. Summary: Provides that the Uniform Statewide Building Code (the Building Code) shall not supersede the building code provisions and regulations adopted by a locality that are related to energy efficiency and conservation if the standards outlined in such provisions and regulations are as or more stringent than those contained in the Building Code. The bill defines a standard to be as stringent as one contained in the Building Code if such standard would perform the same function as the standard contained in the Building Code without using more energy than would be used under the provisions of the Building Code.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill has may have an impact the Jack A. Proctor Virginia Building Code Training Academy at the Department of Housing and Community Development; however, the impact cannot be determined at this time. The Academy delivers administrative and technical code training programs for mandated certification requirements for over 3,500 statewide professional certifications in various code enforcement disciplines. It is uncertain how many localities would adopt these ordinances and therefore how many inspectors would need to be retrained. The Academy is funded primarily through levy fees received from building permits administered by localities.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Housing and Community Development.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.