

Department of Planning and Budget 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB905

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: Lopez

3. Committee: Counties, Cities and Towns

4. Title: Energy efficiency standards; more stringent energy efficiency requirements.

5. Summary: Allows a locality by ordinance to create and require stretch codes, defined in the bill as energy efficiency standards that are in addition to or more stringent than those in the Uniform Statewide Building Code, and use them as an alternative means of compliance with a locality's building requirements. The bill requires periodic review of the codes and allows the locality to make amendments.

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.