

Department of Planning and Budget

2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB724

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

2. Patron: Pillion

3. Committee: Passed both houses.

4. Title: School boards; broadband; annual report.

5. Summary: Requires each school board to submit an annual report to the Virginia Department of Education and the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development that lists each student's 9-1-1 address that does not have broadband access, as defined by the guidelines set out by the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development for its Virginia Telecommunication Initiative, beginning in 2022 through the 2025 school year. The bill also requires the Virginia Department of Education, in consultation with the Department of Housing and Community Development, to develop and publish no later than September 1, 2022, a framework and survey tool for school boards to submit such report and the data contained therein.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Item 135.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final, see Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: The Department of Education (DOE) estimates it would require approximately \$50,000 per year for wage positions to develop and support the survey framework beginning in fiscal year 2023. DOE also estimates it would require \$10,000 per year to expand storage capacity to store the additional school division data.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Local school divisions, Department of Education, Department of Housing and Community Development

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None