

Department of Legislative Services
 Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

Revised

Senate Bill 710 (Senator Frv. *et al.*)

Budget & Taxation & Economic & Environmental Affairs

Higher Education - Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine

This bill sets forth the terms under which the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine (VMRCVM) is to operate. The State is required to provide the appropriate level of general funds to pay Maryland's share of the costs of the Professional Instructional Program of VMRCVM. The cost share for each state is to be determined by VMRCVM's Budget and Program Review Board. The Governor is required to separately identify VMRCVM's budget within the University of Maryland, College Park's budget, and separately include in the State operating budget funds that increase VMRCVM's general fund budget by the estimated actual costs.

VMRCVM was established in 1980 by the State of Maryland and the Commonwealth of Virginia. It has campuses at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and University of Maryland, College Park. The student body consists of 50 Virginia residents, 30 Maryland residents, and 10 at-large.

The bill takes effect July 1, 1998.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Supplemental Budget Number 2 includes \$200,001 in additional general funds for VMRCVM for FY 1999, as shown below; future year increases reflect the appropriate level of Maryland's share of the costs. No effect on revenues.

(in dollars)	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
GF Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
GF Expenditures	\$200,000	\$400,000	\$500,000	\$600,000	\$700,000
Net Effect	(\$200,000)	(\$400,000)	(\$500,000)	(\$600,000)	(\$700,000)

Note: () - decrease; GF - general funds; FF - federal funds; SF - special funds

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Fiscal Analysis

State Expenditures: The proposed fiscal 1999 budget includes approximately \$2.2 million in general funds for VMRCVM. Supplemental Budget Number 2 includes an additional general fund appropriation of \$200,001 for VMRCVM. Pursuant to the bill's requirements and an agreement reached by the Department of Budget and Management, the University System of Maryland, the Maryland Higher Education Commission, and VMRCVM, the following additional general fund amounts would be needed for VMRCVM, excluding amounts contained in Supplemental Budget Number 2: \$200,000 in fiscal 1999, \$400,000 in fiscal 2000, \$500,000 in fiscal 2001, \$600,000 in fiscal 2002, and \$700,000 in fiscal 2003. The University of Maryland, College Park would continue to pay more than \$600,000 per year of VMRCVM's costs from other unrestricted funds.

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