

“[A]ll agencies... shall conduct an assessment of all mandates imposed on local governments administered by the agency to determine which mandates, if any, may be altered or eliminated.” ([Section 2.2-613, Code of Virginia](#))

“If an assessment reveals that such mandates may be altered or eliminated without undue threat to the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Commonwealth, the Commission [on Local Government] shall so advise the Governor and the General Assembly...” ([Section 15.2-2903, Code of Virginia](#))

The mandates are described in the [Catalog of State and Federal Mandates on Local Governments](#) , which the commission updates annually. [Executive Order 58](#) , signed by Governor Kaine on Oct. 11, 2007, governs the assessment of mandates by state executive agencies. EO 58 rescinded Executive Memorandum 1-98, which previously guided the assessment process.

“The Commission on Local Government shall distribute copies of all completed assessments received from state agencies to the Governor, the Secretary of Commerce and Trade, the Clerks of the House of Delegates and Senate, the Virginia Association of Counties (VACo) and the Virginia Municipal League (VML) and to other interested parties upon request.” (Section B(1)(f), EO 58)

In accordance with EO 58, the commission annually establishes a mandate assessment schedule for state agencies. The schedule is subject to the Governor’s approval. The commission publishes the schedule in the [Virginia Register of Regulations](#) (go to the General Notices section), distributes it to the agencies responsible for assessing the mandates, and posts it on this website. In addition, the commission distributes the schedule to the Clerks of the House of Delegates and Senate, VACo and VML.

Only the following types of mandates are subject to assessment:

- New and newly-identified mandates that have been in effect for at least 24 months;

- Existing mandates that have revised to the extent that they constitute new mandates and have been in effect for at least 24 months; and
- Other mandates that the commission, after considering input from stakeholders, has decided should be reassessed.

Local governments are invited to submit their comments on mandates currently under assessment. Information on the fiscal impact of the mandates is particularly welcome.

- [Locality Fiscal Impact Comments Form](#)
- [Agency Instructions for Completing Assessments](#)
- [Agency Mandate Assessment Template](#)
- [Governor’s Task Force on Local Government Mandate Review](#)

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FY 2016-2017 Schedule of Assessment Periods for Executive Agency Assessment of Catalogued Mandates

Number Begin	Short Title End	Assessment Dates
SFIN.TAX014	Tax Exemption for Certified Pollution Control, Recycling, and Solar Energy Equipment	7/1/16 - 9/30/16
SFIN.TAX020	Real Property Tax Exemptions or Deferrals for the Elderly and Disabled	8/1/16 - 10/31/16
SFIN.TAX021	Food and Beverage and Meals Tax Exemption for Non-profit Fundraising Sales	1/1/16 - 12/31/16
SHHR.DSS031	Child Protective Services	3/1/17 - 5/31/17
SHHR.DSS076	Provision of Independent Living Services for Current and Former Children in Foster Care	9/1/16 - 12/31/16
SHHR.DSS077	Written Interagency Agreements with Local Schools for Investigations	5/31/17

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SHHR.VDH030	Disposition of Dead Bodies	10/1/16	12/31/16
SNR.DEQ045	Stormwater Local Assistance Funds	9/1/16	11/30/16
SNR.DGIF008	Wildlife Displayed in Schools	7/1/16	9/30/16
SNR.MRC001	Wetlands Zoning Ordinance in Tidewater	4/1/17	6/30/17
SOE.DOE004	Teacher License Required	7/1/16	8/31/16
SOE.DOE140	Eligibility of Students in Military Families for Interscholastic Programs	9/1/16	10/31/16
SOE.DOE141	School Health	7/1/16	8/31/16
SOE.DOE144	Public School Security Equipment Grant Act	7/1/16	8/31/16
SOE.DOE145	Supplementary Written Historical Materials	9/1/16	10/31/16
SPSHS.DCJS033	Sexual Assault Services Program	4/1/17	6/30/17

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SAF.VDACS009	Control of Dangerous and Injurious Dogs	July 1, 2015, to September 30, 2015
SCT.DOLI006	Providing Local Government with State Health Information	July 1, 2015, to September 30, 2015
SFIN.TAX011	Board of Equalization Appeals Process	September 1, 2015, to November 30, 2015
SFIN.TAX017	Payment Agreements for Delinquent Real Property Taxes	July 1, 2015, to September 30, 2015
SFIN.TAX018	Northern Virginia Transportation Authority Must Deposit Certain Funds	July 1, 2015, to September 30, 2015
SFIN.TAX019	Regional Transient Occupancy Tax in Northern Virginia	August 1, 2015, to October 31, 2015
SHHR.DSS074	Social Worker Degree Requirements	September 1, 2015, to November 30, 2015
SHHR.VDH032	Emergency Medical Services Criminal History Record Information	October 1, 2015, to December 31, 2015
SNR.MRC003	Comprehensive Plan to Include Coastal Resource Management	October 1, 2015, to December 31, 2015
SOA.ELECT006	Cancellation of Voter Registration	July 1, 2015, to August 31, 2015
SOE.DOE053	Programs for Educationally At-Risk Students	July 1, 2015, to August 31, 2015

SOE.DOE062 Competency-Based Career and Technical Education Program August 1, 2015 to August 31, 2015

SOE.DOE086 Prevention of Violence and Crime on School Property July 1, 2015, to August 31, 2015

SOE.DOE090 School Crisis, Emergency Management, and Medical Emergency Response Plan September 1, 2015 to October 31, 2015

SOE.DOE111 Evaluation of Superintendent, Teachers, and Principals September 1, 2015, to October 31, 2015

SOE.DOE112 Asthma and Anaphylaxis Medication Policy September 1, 2015, to October 31, 2015

SPSHS.DCJS008 Training Standards for Criminal Justice Personnel August 1, 2015, to October 31, 2015

SPSHS.DCJS032 Certification of Law Enforcement Officers August 1, 2015, to October 31, 2015

SPSHS.DCJS034 Prevention of Internet Crimes Against Children August 1, 2015, to October 31, 2015

SPSHS.VDEM015 Localities Participation in Statewide Mutual Aid Program December 1, 2015, to February 28, 2016

STO.VDOT015 Removal or Relocation of Outdoor Advertising July 1, 2015, to September 30, 2015

STO.VDOT032 Vegetation Control for Outdoor Advertising Signs July 1, 2015, to September 30, 2015