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### MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Thomas K. Norment, Jr.  
Co-Chair, Senate Finance Committee

The Honorable Emmett W. Hanger, Jr.  
Co-Chair, Senate Finance Committee

The Honorable S. Chris Jones  
Chairman, House Appropriations Committee

FROM: Peter Blake

DATE: September 27, 2018

SUBJECT: § 23.1-309 Code of Virginia

The Code of Virginia directs the State Council of Higher Education to assess annually the degree to which each institution has satisfied any goals or criteria developed by the Higher Education Advisory Committee pursuant to § 23.1-309. While public colleges and university have been involved in a variety of efforts related to economic impact, reform, affordability, access and excellence, during the period of time for this annual assessment, the Higher Education Advisory Committee has not developed any goals or criteria pursuant to § 23.1-309.

SCHEV, along with the Secretary of Finance, the Secretary of Education, the director of the Department of Planning and Budget, and the staff directors of the House Appropriations Committee and the Senate Finance Committee, continue to work in close coordination with colleges and universities on the six-year planning process described in § 23.1-306. Through this work, we strive to achieve the Commonwealth's commitments to and expectations of our system of higher education.

c: April Kees, Co-Director, Senate Finance Committee  
Jason Powell, Co-Director, Senate Finance Committee  
Robert Vaughn, Staff Director, House Appropriations Committee