

“[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 EO 58 rescinded Executive Memorandum 1-98, which previously guided the assessment process.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 Form](#)
- [Governor's Task Force on Local Government Mandate Review](#)

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FY 2018-2019 Schedule of Assessment Periods for Executive Branch Agency Assessment of Catalogued Mandates

Catalog Number	Short Title	Assessment Dates	
Begin	End		
SAF.VDACSOA1	Animal Control and Law Enforcement Animal Record Keeping Requirements	08/01/2018	10/31/2018
SCT.DHCD021	Local Building Permit Fees	08/01/2018	10/31/2018
SCT.DHCD022	Virginia Main Street (VMS)	08/01/2018	10/31/2018
SHHR.DSS081	Support Payments for Public Safety	09/01/2018	11/30/2018
SNR.DEQ039	Stormwater Management Programs by Localities	09/01/2018	11/30/2018
SOE.DOE010	School Staffing Ratios	07/01/2018	09/30/2018

SOE.DOE030	Standards of Accreditation Requirements	07/01/2018	09/30/2018
SOE.DOE148	Broadband Connectivity Capabilities	07/01/2018	09/30/2018
SPSHS.VSP008	Officer Involved Shooting	08/01/2018	10/30/2018

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SCT.DOLI007	Voluntary Protection Program	07/01/2017	09/30/2017
SHHR.CSA002	Referrals and Reviews of Children and Families	07/01/2017	11/30/2017
SHHR.CSA004	Appeals for Youth and Families Involving Family Services Plans	07/01/2017	11/30/2017
SHHR.DSS079	Child Day Center and Family Day Home Business Licenses Report	09/01/2017	11/30/2017
SHHR.DSS089	Putative Father Registry Search	09/01/2017	11/30/2017
SHHR.VDH032	Emergency Medical Services Critical History Record Initiation	07/01/2017	10/31/2017
SHHR.VDH033	Biannual Rabies Vaccination Clinic	07/01/2017	10/31/2017
SNR.DEQ022	Virginia Pollution Abatement Plan	07/01/2017	09/30/2017

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SNR.DEQ047	Living Shorelines Loans	10/01/2017	12/31/2017
SNR.DEQ048	Regional Emissions Control Programs	08/01/2017	10/31/2017
SOE.DOE016	Records of Non-Resident Students with Disabilities	07/01/2017	08/31/2017
SOE.DOE026	Local School Division Policies	07/01/2017	08/31/2017
SOE.DOE139	Staff Training for Aides working with Students with Autism Spectrum Disorders	07/01/2017	08/31/2017
SOE.DOE146	School Board Record-Keeping Requirements	07/01/2017	08/31/2017
SPSHS.DFS002A	DNA Samples Required from Certain Convicted Persons	07/01/2017	09/30/2017
SPSHS.VDEM016	Tax, Fee, and Registration Exemption for Out-of-State Disaster/Emergency	07/01/2017	12/31/2017