

Department of Planning and Budget 2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number** HB2743

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

2. **Patron** May

3. **Committee** Rules

4. **Title** Research & Technology Advisory Commission; created, study reports.

5. **Summary/Purpose:**

This bill codifies the Virginia Research and Technology Advisory Commission (VRTAC), which is currently a temporary gubernatorial advisory commission created by executive order.

6. **No Fiscal Impact**

7. **Budget amendment necessary:** No.

8. **Fiscal implications:** The proposed legislation creates a permanent advisory commission with 27 members. It is estimated that it may cost approximately \$80,000 - \$100,000 per year to reimburse members for quarterly meetings, and to fund commission activities. This expense is currently borne by the Center for Innovative Technology (CIT), and presumably will continue to be unless a separate appropriation is made.

9. **Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Secretary of Technology, Center for Innovative Technology, State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, Virginia Economic Development Partnership, Department of Planning and Budget, public research universities.

10. **Technical amendment necessary:** The proposed wording for §9-398. 2. stating that the Commission shall "coordinate the evaluation of" proposals partially conflicts with language in Item 548 J.5.c. of Chapter 1073, 2000 Appropriation Act, which states that the Director, Department of Planning and Budget shall coordinate the evaluation of proposals.

11. **Other comments:** None.

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