

Department of Planning and Budget 2002 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number** SB158

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☒ Enrolled

2. **Patron** Chichester

3. **Committee** Commerce and Labor

4. **Title** Workers' compensation; covered employees.

5. **Summary/Purpose:** This bill clarifies that secretaries and administrative assistants of members and officers of the General Assembly who are compensated pursuant to the general appropriation act are deemed to be employees of the Commonwealth for purposes of the Workers' Compensation Act.

6. **No Fiscal Impact.**

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

8. **Fiscal implications:** This bill has no fiscal implications for the Commonwealth; it merely codifies existing practice. According to the Department of Human Resource Management's Office of Workers' Compensation, both the House of Delegates and the state Senate's workers' compensation premiums are based, in part, on the wages paid to General Assembly members and officers' secretaries and administrative assistants. Consequently, these employees are already covered by the Commonwealth's workers' compensation plan.

9. **Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** This legislation affects the House of Delegates, the state Senate, and officers of those bodies.

10. **Technical amendment necessary:** None.

11. **Other comments:** No.

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