

Department of Planning and Budget 2003 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number SB942

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

2. Patron Colgan

3. Committee Passed both houses

4. Title Wireless enhanced 911 surcharge.

5. Summary/Purpose:

Specifies how mobile telecommunications service providers (CMRS) can collect the wireless 911 surcharge. Under the current statute, the surcharge is defined as a monthly charge, "billed monthly." Because prepaid wireless is not billed monthly, the bill provides that the surcharge may be collected either through monthly billing, adding the surcharge at the point of sale, or deducting an equivalent number of minutes.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are: Final

6b. Revenue Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2002-03	\$0	0	
2003-04	\$1,100,000	0	NGF
2004-05	\$1,400,000	0	NGF

7. Budget amendment necessary: No, Senate Bill 700 anticipates the increased revenue to the Wireless E-911 Fund.

8. Fiscal implications: The revenue impact estimate in Item 6 above was based on research data indicating the approximate percentage of pre-paid wireless service users to monthly billed subscribers, and state remittance reports of monthly wireless service providers which provide the total current, customer billing base in Virginia. A growth factor was also included with the FY2005 impact to account for an estimated increase in both total wireless users and pre-paid service users.

A Senate amendment permits service providers to retain three percent of the wireless surcharge to defray their collection costs. The Department of Technology Planning (DTP) indicates this is the current practice of service providers, therefore, this amendment has no fiscal impact on revenues.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: DTP and the Wireless E-911 Services Board.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No

11. Othercomments :None.

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