

Department of Planning and Budget 2004 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB1398

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

2. Patron Bland

3. Committee General Laws

4. Title Urban issues

5. Summary/Purpose:

The bill requires the Governor of each new administration to issue an executive order during the first year of the administration creating a cabinet-level committee to assist the Secretary of Commerce and Trade in developing an urban policy vision. With the assistance of this committee, the Secretary of Commerce and Trade is to develop a report on the condition of the state's urban areas and establishing priorities for addressing those conditions. The bill goes on to list components, including benchmarks for addressing economic and social conditions and inequities within urban areas, which must be included in the report. During the third year of the administration, the Secretary of Commerce and Trade is to review and report on the performance of each agency in meeting the established benchmarks.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are: Indeterminate. See item 8, below.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications:

Fiscal impact estimates are indeterminate. As the Secretary of Commerce and Trade currently reports on the results of the Regional Competitiveness Act, with the assistance of all agencies and institutions in the Commonwealth, and the reporting requirements contained in this bill replace the aforementioned report, it is not anticipated the reporting requirements contained in the bill will have a fiscal impact.

One provision of the bill allows the Governor to appoint representatives of local government to serve as committee members. There may be a fiscal impact associated with this provision of the bill. The Code provides for compensation to individuals appointed to such positions in the amount of \$50 per day for each day spent on official business. Any impact would depend on the number of individuals so appointed and the frequency of any committee meetings.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Secretaries of Commerce and Trade, Education, Health and Human Resources, Natural Resources, and Transportation.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Commerce and Trade
Secretary of Education
Secretary of Health and Human Resources
Secretary of Natural Resources
Secretary of Transportation