

## Department of Planning and Budget 2004 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number** HB185

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<b>Second House</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

**2. Patron** Oder

**3. Committee** House Transportation

**4. Title** VDOT; independent audit required.

**5. Summary/Purpose:**

Requires, as soon as practicable, the conduct of an independent audit of the Virginia Department of Transportation. Follow-up audits would be required during the first year of every Governor's term.

**6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are:** Preliminary, see item 8.

**7. Budget amendment necessary:** To be determined.

**8. Fiscal implications:**

According to the Department of Transportation (VDOT), the fiscal impact would depend on the scope and depth of the review. Given this, the cost could be minimal, or cost at least \$1 million or more. A similar review, performed by the Auditor of Public Accounts in August 2002, required approximately 4,5000 man-hours to complete. In addition, there could be hidden costs of lost productive time by departmental staff that needs to participate in the review by providing information, either in hard copy or verbally through interviews.

**9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** VDOT

**10. Technical amendment necessary:** No.

**11. Other comments:** The bill does not note what entity will be responsible for the cost.

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cc: Secretary of Transportation