

## Department of Planning and Budget 2004 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number** SB6

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

**2. Patron**        Martin

**3. Committee**   **Passed both houses**

**4. Title**            Distribution of annual & biennial agency reports

**5. Summary/Purpose:**

Replaces the automatic distribution of paper copies of annual and biennial agency reports to certain state officials with an on-demand electronic notification and retrieval system of reports available from the General Assembly's website. Members of the General Assembly would also have the option of receiving paper copies of reports upon request.

Under current law, the Division of Purchases and Supply of the Department of General Services (DGS) is assigned the responsibility of providing agencies with advice on publishing their reports and maintaining a distribution list for those reports. However, the provisions relating to the duties of DGS are obsolete because agencies have assumed responsibility for the publication and distribution of their own reports. The bill repeals sections 2.2-1126 and 2.2-1127, which relate to DGS' role in distribution of reports.

The bill also requires the Division of Legislative Automated Systems to notify persons who are currently entitled to receive annual and biennial reports regarding the change to the new system. The bill clarifies that agency reports include reports by institutions, collegial bodies and other governmental entities. This bill is a recommendation of the Joint Subcommittee to Study the Operations, Practices, Duties, and Funding of the Commonwealth's Agencies, Boards, Commissions, Councils, and Other Governmental Entities pursuant to HJR 159 (2002).

**6. Minimal Fiscal Impact**

**7. Budget amendment necessary:** No

**8. Fiscal implications:** Some minimal savings could accrue for the Department of General Services, which is no longer required to maintain records of or distribute annual reports, and for affected agencies no longer required to provide hard copies of reports.

This impact statement assumes no cost for the development or ongoing operation of the new electronic notification and retrieval system.

**9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Department of General Services, all public institutions of higher education, Virginia Community College System, Science Museum of Virginia, Museum of Fine Arts, Virginia Museum of Natural History, Virginia Agricultural Council, Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, Virginia Public School Authority, Virginia Public Building Authority, Virginia College Building Authority, Virginia Port

Authority, State Board of Health, Department of Labor and Industry, Motor Vehicle Dealer Board, Board of Bar Examiners, Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, Department of Health Professions, Board of Accountancy, Department of Environmental Quality, Virginia Outdoors Foundation, Legislative Support Commission, Department of Legislative Automated Services, Virginia Commercial Space Flight Authority, Virginia Economic Development Partnership, Art and Architectural Review Board, Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers Board, Virginia Public Broadcasting Board, and the Virginia Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations.

**10. Technical amendment necessary:** No

**11. Other comments:** None

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cc: Secretary of Administration