

Department of Planning and Budget 2005 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB2151

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

2. Patron Amundson

3. Committee Passed both houses

4. Title Virginia Public Procurement Act; preference for Virginia firms.

5. Summary/Purpose: Provides that whenever the lowest responsive and responsible bidder is a resident of any other state and such state under its laws allows a resident contractor of that state a preference, a like preference shall be allowed to the lowest responsible bidder who is a resident of Virginia. The bill provides if the lowest bidder is a resident of another state with an absolute preference, that bid shall not be considered. Currently, a preference for Virginia resident may be given. The bill further requires the Department of General Services (DGS) to post and maintain certain information on the agency's website regarding preferences provided by other states.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are: (see Item 8.)

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications: The fiscal increase is unknown because there is no way to determine how often the current preference law is applied. Also the fiscal increase will vary depending on the bids received from vendors that reside in a state that has a percentage preference. DGS will incur some costs to post and maintain certain information on the agency's website regarding preferences provided by other states.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: All public bodies.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: none.

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