

Department of Planning and Budget 2005 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number SB963

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

2. Patron O'Brien

3. Committee General Laws

4. Title Statewide communications interoperability.

5. Summary/Purpose: This bill creates a new chapter in Title 9.1 of the Code of Virginia requiring the office of the Governor to annually review and make recommendations for the update of a statewide interoperability strategic plan. It requires all state agencies and localities to comply with the plan by July 1, 2015, in order to remain eligible to receive state or federal funding for communication programs.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are: Indeterminate

7. Budget amendment necessary: No. However, funding will be needed in future biennia to provide a suitable appropriation, once determined, supporting the implementation of this bill.

8. Fiscal implications: The cost of implementing a statewide communications interoperability strategic plan may be significant. The Governor's office will incur some costs annually to develop the plan. These costs may be minimal. However, quantifying implementation costs is not possible until the strategic plan is developed. As a basis for comparison on implementation costs, the Virginia State Police's STARS system currently under development is contracted to cost \$329,673,699 when completed.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Office of the Governor; all state agencies

10. Technical amendment necessary: No

11. Other comments: None

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