

Department of Planning and Budget 2006 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number SB363

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 Wampler

3. Committee General Laws

4. Title Office of Commonwealth Preparedness.

5. Summary/Purpose: Makes permanent the Office of Commonwealth Preparedness and provides for the appointment of a director by the Governor to serve a five-year term. The bill sets out the duties of the Office and also creates the Secure Commonwealth Panel and sets out its membership and duties.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are: PRELIMINARY; See item 8.

7. Budget amendment necessary: Yes; Item 46.

8. Fiscal implications: According to the Office of Commonwealth Preparedness, the proposed legislation will require an additional 17.5 positions above its present budget to address the additional responsibilities required under this legislation. Assuming an average salary per position of \$50,000 per year, the cost for these positions (including fringe benefits) is estimated at \$1,328,128 per year.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Office of Commonwealth Preparedness and the Department of Emergency Management.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: Identical to HB1004. Also, the proposed 2006-08 biennial budget for the Commonwealth Preparedness Office includes \$478,956 and three positions for each year of the biennium.

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cc: Secretary of Public Safety