Department of Planning and Budget 2007 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number HB1722			
	House of Orig	in Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled
2.	Patron	Peace		
3.	Committee	Transportation		
4.	Title	Establishment of a Road to Revolution heritage trail.		

- 5. Summary/Purpose: Establishes the Road to Revolution heritage trail to highlight and celebrate Patrick Henry's leading role in liberating Virginia from Colonial rule to independence. To distinguish the trail and direct travelers to the sites, signs shall be erected by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), but only by request of a local government, historical organization, or foundation with custodial responsibilities for that site. A committee consisting of one representative of each historical organization, foundation, or local governing body and the Director of the Department of Historical Resources (DHR) shall establish a common design used on all official trail signs.
- **6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are:** Final.
- 7. Budget amendment necessary: No.
- 8. Fiscal implications: All costs associated with the manufacturing, erection and maintenance of the signs must be paid for by the local government, historical organization, or foundation with custodial responsibilities for that site. The bill also establishes a committee consisting of one representative of each historical organization, foundation, or local governing body and the Director of the Department of Historical Resources (DHR). The committee's purpose is to establish a common design used on all official trail signs. If DHR is to provide a coordinating role for the duration of the project, beyond what they have been given as a member of the committee, DHR anticipates that it will require an FTE or P14 for the duration of the project. However, if DHR is to provide an advisory role, giving technical guidance and information to these private organizations, this role is negligible and can be absorbed. Any fiscal impact to VDOT is expected to be minimal.
- **9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Department of Historic Resources, Department of Transportation, local governments.
- **10.** Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Natural Resources Secretary of Transportation