

Department of Planning and Budget 2007 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number SB1145

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: Wagner

3. Committee: General Laws and Technology

4. Title: Department of Veterans Services; certification of businesses owned by special disabled veterans.

5. Summary/Purpose: This bill would prohibit discrimination by public bodies in the solicitation and awarding of contracts and requires public bodies to establish a program to facilitate the participation of businesses owned by special disabled veterans in procurement transactions. The bill also requires the Department of Veterans Services to establish a program to certify businesses owned by special disabled veterans.

6. Fiscal impact estimates are indeterminate. See Item 8.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications: This bill would move the Department of Veterans Services (DVS) into an entirely new area of service delivery, one for which the agency believes it currently lacks the experience, expertise, and resources to administer and implement.

According to the agency, a study would be required to determine:

- Number of businesses owned by special disabled veterans in the Commonwealth of Virginia
- Number of such businesses that may be reasonably expected to apply for the special disabled veteran certification
- Process by which the Department of Veterans Services will certify that a business is owned by a special disabled veteran vs. certifying that the owner of a business is a special disabled veteran
- Methods of developing and publishing a list of special disabled veteran-certified businesses
- Methods of developing a special reporting mechanism for state agency purchases from special disabled veteran-owned businesses
- Means by which other state agencies will report procurement results to the Department of Veterans Services.

The results of such a study would determine the staffing, budget, and information technology resources required by the DVS to implement the provisions of this bill.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of Veterans Services,
Department of Minority Business Enterprise.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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