

**Virginia Department of Transportation**  
**2008 Fiscal Impact Statement (Regular Session)**

**1. Bill Number: SB 150 Eng 1**

**House of Origin** ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

**Second House** ☒ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

**2. Patron: Edwards, J.**

**3. Committee: House Transportation**

**4. Title: Wilderness Road: Virginia's Heritage Migration Route**

**5. Summary/Purpose:**

Designates over 500 miles of highway as the "Wilderness Road: Virginia's Heritage Migration Route."

**6. Fiscal Impacts are unavailable**

**7. Budget amendment necessary: NO**

**8. Fiscal implications:** The cost and time required by VDOT land use or traffic personnel to investigate and approve sign locations cannot be determined without additional study. The second enactment clause of the engrossed version of the bill provides that the provisions of the bill shall not become effective unless general funds are appropriated. VDOT initially assumed approximately two signs per locality per route and an average site investigation, sign fabrication and installation cost of \$500 per sign. However, upon further discussions with the Virginia Tourism Authority, VDOT's initial estimate of two signs per locality was deemed too low. With the number of signs increasing, the per unit cost would decrease. VDOT, therefore, estimates a cost of approximately \$350 per sign, with the number of signs to be determined.

**9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** VDOT, the Counties of Frederick, Shenandoah, Rockingham, Augusta, Rockbridge, Botetourt, Roanoke, Montgomery, Pulaski, Wythe, Smyth, Washington, Scott, Lee, Henry, Franklin, Craig, Giles, Bland, Tazewell, and Russell; and the Cities of Winchester, Harrisonburg, Staunton, Lexington, Roanoke, Salem, Radford, Bristol, and Martinsville.

**10. Technical amendment necessary: NO**

**11. Other comments: NO**

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cc: Secretary of Transportation