

Department of Planning and Budget 2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB373

House of Origin X Introduced Substitute Engrossed
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Stuart

3. Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources

4. Title: **Invasive plants; labeling.**

5. Summary: The bill provides that the Board of Agriculture and Consumer Services, in consultation with the Virginia Invasive Species Plant Council, shall adopt regulations requiring nurseries to label all invasive species of plants.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

6a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2009	\$267,595	3.0	General
2010	\$267,595	3.0	General
2011	\$267,595	3.0	General
2012	\$267,595	3.0	General
2013	\$267,595	3.0	General
2014	\$267,595	3.0	General

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Item 95.

8. Fiscal Implications: According to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, monitoring and enforcement of the requirement that nurseries label all invasive species of plants will require additional nursery inspector positions. The additional positions are also needed to respond to and investigate labeling complaints. It is estimated that one additional inspector is needed for each of the three program regions.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry