Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	HB1213					
	House of Origin		Introduced	X	Substitute	X	Engrossed
	Second House	<u>X</u>	In Committee		Substitute		Enrolled

- 2. Patron: Kory
- 3. Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources

4. Title: Department of Historic Resources; historic preservation grants.

- **5. Summary:** This bill clarifies and makes several technical and procedural changes to the authority of the Department of Historic Resources to supervise state moneys appropriated to organizations, including localities and private entities, and related to historic preservation. The substitute version of this bill defines the type of funds used for projects as federal, local or private; and stipulates that if the organization owning the property is different from the organization managing the project, both must enter into the agreement and plan submission.
- 6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.
- 7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- **8. Fiscal Implications**: This bill has no foreseeable budget impact, as any grants to nonstate agencies are made on an appropriation basis.

The changes of this bill are technical in nature: (1) Correct an erroneous cross-reference that could lead to a false interpretation. §10.1-2213 of the Code of Virginia cross-references "the renovation or reconstruction of any historic site as set forth in §2.2-1505." However, the referenced section does not address renovation or reconstruction of historic sites, but rather includes a definition of "nonstate agency" that excludes local government from receiving grants to nonstate agencies. This definition contradicts §10.1-2213 in that local governments are eligible to receive historic preservation grants. (2) Replace references in the relevant sections of §10.1-2213 and §10.1-2208 to clarify that historic preservation grants are available to both private organizations and local governments and the same requirements for granting easements and meetings historic preservation standards in the use of those public funds apply to both types of recipients. (3) Amend references to the grant application process to align with actual practices.

- 9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Historic Resources.
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.
- **11. Other Comments:** The Department of Planning and Budget suggests striking references to only accepting application in even-numbered years (see Lines 30 and 31); as accepting nonstate applications for state aid is no longer based on this determination.