Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	HB276					
	House of Origin		Introduced	X	Substitute	X	Engrossed
	Second House	<u>X</u>	In Committee		Substitute		Enrolled
2.	Patron: A	lbo					

- 3. Committee: Senate Transportation
- 4. Title: Highway maintenance funds.
- **5. Summary:** The proposed legislation would require the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) to consider allocating funds for highway maintenance on the basis of achieving a minimal level of disparity among highway construction districts in meeting asset performance standards in §33.1-13.02, Code of Virginia. That Code section requires VDOT to prepare a report on the condition of and needs for maintaining and operating the existing transportation infrastructure in the Commonwealth for all asset management and maintenance, based on an asset management methodology.

Before the CTB makes such an allocation, the bill directs the CTB to release a document for public review which compares that allocation with an allocation by construction district of funds based entirely on the asset performance standards established in §33.1-13.02, Code of Virginia.

The Code of Virginia directs the CTB to allocate each year the funds it deems reasonable and necessary for the maintenance of state-maintained highways, city and town maintenance payments and payments to counties that have elected to withdraw from the state secondary system. If the amount necessary for maintenance is greater than the funds available, the CTB is authorized to transfer funding from the construction program.

- 6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See Item 8.
- 7. Budget Amendment Necessary: None.
- 8. Fiscal Implications: Currently, the allocation of maintenance funds is based on meeting the needs as determined by the CTB. If the CTB was to allocate maintenance funding on the basis of minimizing disparity among construction districts, the allocation of maintenance funds between construction districts may change.
- 9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Transportation
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None.
- 11. Other Comments: None.

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