

Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB689

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

2. Patron: Blevins

3. Committee: General Laws and Technology

4. Title: **Virginia Office for Protection and Advocacy; dispute resolution proceedings**

5. Summary: Requires the Virginia Office for Protection and Advocacy (VOPA) to initiate a dispute resolution proceeding prior to pursuing other legal remedies. If the dispute resolution proceeding fails to provide for a reasonable resolution of the complaint or violation, the Office may pursue other legal remedies, subject to approval by the Board for Protection and Advocacy, to protect the rights of persons with disabilities.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: The following figures are preliminary estimates only:

6a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2011	48,000	0	General
2012	48,000	0	General
2013	48,000	0	General
2014	48,000	0	General
2015	48,000	0	General
2016	48,000	0	General

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Item#489, SB30

8. Fiscal Implications: The enactment of this bill will result in increased workload as well as costs for VOPA. The costs provided above are estimates and are comprised of mediation expenditures per case, i.e. approximately two dozen cases per year at a rate of \$2,000 per case. The actuals will vary on a case by case basis and duration of mediation. VOPA is unable to absorb this increased expenditure.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia Office of Protection and Advocacy

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

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