

Department of Planning and Budget 2011 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1450

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: Crockett-Stark

3. Committee: Commerce and Labor

4. Title: Pressurized gas dusters; prohibits person from selling, etc. in open displays or unlocked cases.

5. Summary: Sales of pressurized gas dusters. Prohibits any person from selling, offering for sale, or displaying for sale pressurized gas dusters in open displays or unlocked cases that are accessible to the public without the intervention of an employee of such business. Violations are a prohibited practice pursuant to the Virginia Consumer Protection Act.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Item 87 of House Bill 1500. From information available on the proposed budget amendments, it does not appear that an amendment has been included in the budget bill in the bill's house of origin.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:

7a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2011	\$80,000	1 FTE	GF
2012	\$65,000	1 FTE	GF
2013	\$65,000	1 FTE	GF
2014	\$65,000	1 FTE	GF
2015	\$65,000	1 FTE	GF
2016	\$65,000	1 FTE	GF
2017	\$65,000	1 FTE	GF

8. Fiscal Implications: The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services' Office of Consumer Affairs is responsible for making inquiries into violations of the Consumer Protection Act and referring cases to the Attorney General or Commonwealth's Attorney for prosecution. Because the Consumer Protection Program has experienced resource reductions, additional responsibilities cannot be assumed without additional support. The Department estimates the need for an additional position to adequately respond to complaints related to violations of this bill. An additional position will cost approximately \$80,000 during the first year and approximately \$65,000 in subsequent years. The estimate includes salary and fringe benefits, information technology charges, and a one-time vehicle expenditure.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

Date: 1/17/2011