

Department of Planning and Budget 2011 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1947

House of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: Cox, J.A.

3. Committee: Passed both houses

4. Title: Right to enter on land for transportation purposes.

5. Summary: The proposed legislation would authorize the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) to notify a landowner of the agency's intent to enter their land using regular first-class mail. The bill also eliminates the required waiting period if the landowner agrees to or requests an earlier date of entry than that specified in the notice.

Currently, before VDOT staff may enter upon private land to perform surveys or appraisals or other such actions, landowners must be notified of the intent by certified mail at least 15 days prior.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: None.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final. See Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: VDOT mails out approximately 9,000 notices annually. Using regular first-class mail in lieu of certified mail will save the agency approximately \$45,000 annually. Savings generated by the provisions of the bill will be retained in the Transportation Trust Fund and used to fund other transportation priorities.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Transportation

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None.

11. Other Comments: None.

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