

## Department of Planning and Budget 2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB646

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

**2. Patron:**        Habeeb

**3. Committee:** Transportation

**4. Title:**         Permit applications for outdoor advertising.

**5. Summary:** The proposed legislation would revise the current fee structure of the Department of Transportation (VDOT) for outdoor advertising permits. The bill also eliminates the Certification Acceptance Program, which allowed an entity with five or more signs to self-inspect and certify its correspondence with the regulations in lieu of paying a permit fee.

The bill would amend application fees for permits for advertising by creating three size brackets. The bill contains a provision that reduces the fee by \$5 per application if the applicant elects to use an electronic application.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** None. If the provisions of the bill increase revenue received by the agency, appropriation may be administratively increased.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary.

**7a. Revenue Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2012	\$0	N/A
2013	\$100,000	Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund
2014	\$100,000	Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund
2015	\$100,000	Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund
2016	\$100,000	Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund
2017	\$100,000	Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund
2018	\$100,000	Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund

**8. Fiscal Implications:** Currently, the fee structure for outdoor advertising permits generates approximately \$115,000 annually. According to VDOT, the proposed fee structure could generate between \$188,000 and \$218,000, depending on how many participants receive the discount for applying electronically.

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

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** None.

**11. Other Comments:** None.

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