

Department of Planning and Budget

2014 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB591

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

2. Patron: O'Quinn

3. Committee: Commerce and Labor

4. Title: Unsolicited demands for payment.

5. Summary: Prohibits solicitations through the use of a document that reasonably could be considered a bill, invoice, or statement of account due, if the document (i) is in fact an offer to sell goods or services to a consumer that were not requested by the consumer and (ii) fails to prominently disclaim that the document is not a bill but is a solicitation. A violation is made a prohibited practice under the Virginia Consumer Protection Act. The Act currently prohibits misrepresentations by the use of any written or documentary material that appears to be an invoice or bill for merchandise or services previously ordered.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: No fiscal impact.

8. Fiscal Implications: The provisions of the bill are not expected to create a cost to the Office of the Attorney General and Department of Law.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Office of the Attorney General and Department of Law.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.