Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	SB1023		
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled

- **2. Patron:** Stuart
- 3. Committee: Transportation
- 4. Title: Transit funding in statewide prioritization; review of project prioritization
- **5. Summary:** This bill includes moneys from the Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund and highway aid to mass transit in the list of funds subject to the statewide prioritization process. The bill also requires the Joint Commission on Transportation Accountability to review the prioritization of projects by the Commonwealth Transportation Board and to make necessary recommendations regarding the process to the General Assembly.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 7. No fiscal impact. Preliminary. See #8.
- 8. Fiscal Implications: According to the Department of Rail and Public Transportation, there is no fiscal impact anticipated from this proposal. This bill would make all transit funding (to include operating and maintenance funds) subject to the HB 2 prioritization process. There is no increase or decrease of revenues to the Mass Transit Fund.
- **9.** Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Rail and Public Transportation.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: As currently written, this bill subjects transit operating and maintenance funding to the HB2 prioritization process, which could have presumably unintended consequences such as bus driver salaries and replacement vehicles competing for funding against each other. Additionally, transit funds are already subject to a prioritization and allocation process through SB1140 (2013), which created the Transit Service Delivery Advisory Committee.

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