

## Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB94

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:** Favola

**3. Committee:** Commerce and Labor

**4. Title:** Virginia Energy Plan; Commonwealth Energy Policy.

**5. Summary:** States that the Commonwealth Energy Policy shall (i) establish greenhouse gas emissions reduction standards across all sectors of Virginia's economy that target net zero carbon emissions by mid-century; (ii) enact mandatory clean energy standards and overall strategies for reaching zero carbon in the electric power sector by 2040; (iii) incorporate requirements for technical, policy, and economic analyses and assessments that identify pathways to zero carbon that maximize Virginia's economic development and create quality jobs; and (iv) minimize the negative impacts of climate change and the energy transition on disadvantaged communities and prioritize investment in these areas. The measure requires the Virginia Energy Plan to be prepared in consultation with a stakeholder group that shall include representatives of consumer and environmental organizations. The measure also requires that the Virginia Energy Plan identify actions over a 10-year period consistent with the goal of the Commonwealth Energy Policy to achieve, no later than 2050, a net-zero carbon energy economy for all sectors, including electricity, transportation, building, and industrial sectors.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See Item 8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** It is anticipated that any expenditure impact as a result of this bill to the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy can be absorbed within existing resources.

It is anticipated that this bill will not result in a fiscal impact to the State Corporation Commission.

The fiscal impact to the Department of Environmental Quality is not known at this time. This impact estimate will be revised when such information becomes available.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy; State Corporation Commission; Department of Environmental Quality.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** HB 714 also revises the Virginia Energy Plan.