

Department of Planning and Budget

2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB272

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

2. Patron: Hashmi

3. Committee: Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

4. Title: Concrete; DGS shall convene a work group to review climate impact.

5. Summary: Requires that the Department of General Services (DGS) convene a stakeholder work group to review the climate impact of concrete and recommend policies and practices to incentivize the reduction of air emission impact of the production of concrete procured by agencies of the Commonwealth for Commonwealth-funded projects. The work group includes two licensed professional engineers, two licensed registered architects, one representative of the construction industry, one representative of the concrete producer industry, one representative of the concrete testing and validation industry, one representative of an accredited school of civil engineering, two representatives of environmental non-governmental organizations, and representatives of DGS, the Department of Transportation (VDOT), and the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). DGS and the work group are required to report its findings, including any public comments received, and recommendations to the Governor and the chairs of the Committees on Agriculture, Chesapeake, and Natural Resources by November 1, 2023.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: See Item 8.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: See Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: It is anticipated that any fiscal impact on the Department of Environmental Quality as a result of this bill can be absorbed within existing resources.

The Department of General Services (DGS) indicates that staff from the Division of Engineering and Buildings (DEB) would likely be needed to assist with this work group. DEB is funded through an internal service fund by which DEB staff bill client agencies an hourly rate for the time spent working on client agencies' capital projects. As part of this work group, DEB staff would not have a client agency to bill and therefore could not generate the revenue to pay for existing salaries and benefits. DGS estimates that general fund support of approximately \$50,000 would be needed to backfill DEB for the lost billable hours while staff participates in this work group.

Impact estimates from VDOT are unavailable.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Environmental Quality; Department of General Services; Department of Transportation.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: This fiscal impact statement has been revised to include estimated impacts from the Department of General Services.

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