

## Department of Planning and Budget 2004 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number** HB622

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

**2. Patron** Orrock

**3. Committee** General Laws

**4. Title** Use of natural cut Christmas trees in certain places of worship

**5. Summary/Purpose:** The bill provides that the Board of Housing and Community Development shall issue regulations, in accordance with the Administrative Process Act, to permit the use of natural cut Christmas trees in places of worship and apartment dwelling units without an approved automatic sprinkler system. The board is required to seek input from state and local fire code officials, local building code officials, and representatives of apartment dwellings and houses of worship.

The bill has an emergency enactment clause making it effective as soon as it is signed into law.

**6. No Fiscal Impact**

**7. Budget amendment necessary:** No.

**8. Fiscal implications:** The bill has no fiscal impact.

**9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Department of Housing and Community Development.

**10. Technical amendment necessary:** No.

**11. Other comments:** HB 1180, introduced by Delegate Bryant, and HB 1203 introduced by Delegate Cline, have been incorporated into this bill.

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cc: Secretary of Commerce and Trade