

## Department of Planning and Budget 2004 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB285

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

**2. Patron:** O'Brien

**3. Committee:** General Laws

**4. Title:** Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation; cooperative agreements with local governing bodies

**5. Summary/Purpose:** The bill authorizes the Director of the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation and the Board for Contractors to enter into cooperative agreements with local governing bodies in the investigation of complaints and the enforcement or implementation of final disciplinary orders of the Board for Contractors. The bill requires a report to be submitted to the Governor and the General Assembly on progress made in development and implementation of the pilot program.

**6. Fiscal Impact:** See item 8.

**7. Budget amendment necessary:** No. Any additional expenses will be absorbed in the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulations' budget during the 2004 – 2006 biennium. However, additional resources may be needed in the future, depending on the number of cooperative agreements entered into and the resulting caseload.

**8. Fiscal implications:** The Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation is unable to estimate the number of cooperative agreements which may be entered into with localities as a result of the bill. Additional resources may be needed depending on the extent of the cooperative agreements and any resulting increase in case workload.

**9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, localities.

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

**11. Other comments:** The committee substitute adds the Board for Contractors to the authorization to enter into cooperative agreements and includes the reporting requirement.

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cc: Secretary of Commerce and Trade