

Department of Planning & Budget 2009 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2463

House of Origin X Introduced Substitute Engrossed
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: O'Bannon

3. Committee: Rules

4. Title: **Government Efficiency Review Commission**

5. Summary: Establishes the Government Efficiency Review Commission to review agencies on an eight-year cycle and advise the General Assembly on the elimination of waste, duplication, and inefficiency on the part of such agencies. The bill also repeals the Legislative Program Review and Evaluation Act (§ 30-64 et seq.) and makes some technical amendments. The Commission shall consist of 14 members, including 10 legislative members, as follows: (i) five members of the House of Delegates to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates, (ii) five members of the Senate to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules, (iii) the Lieutenant Governor, and (iv) three citizen members appointed by the Governor. The bill authorizes the Commission to hire an executive director and staff.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: FISCAL IMPACT ESTIMATES ARE PRELIMINARY

6a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2009			
2010	\$425,705	4	GF
2011	\$425,705	4	GF
2012	\$425,705	4	GF
2013	\$425,705	4	GF
2014	\$425,705	4	GF
2015	\$425,705	4	GF

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes. New item.

8. Fiscal Implications:

HB 2463 sets forth the various duties and responsibilities of the proposed Commission (with the approval of the members of the Commission) and allows for a compensated executive director and "such other persons as it deems necessary" to carry out its duties. As such, the following staff are assumed for the proposed Commission:

Positions	Salary and Benefits
Executive Director	\$132,531
Senior Analyst	\$104,284
Analyst	\$85,860
Secretary	\$61,296
Total Personnel Costs	\$383,971

Non personnel costs including office space, phones, leased copier, desktops, printer, office supplies and office furniture are estimated at **\$38,809**.

In addition to professional staff, the proposed Commission would consist of 14 board members. The associated costs for those members are estimated below:

Commission members (10 General Assembly members, three citizens, and the Lieutenant Governor): 14¹

Meetings per year when the GA is not in session: 3

Using the House of Delegates standard estimate, meeting costs are estimated at \$75 per person per meeting. With 13 reimbursement-eligible members meeting about three times during the year, the estimated cost is **\$2,925**.

Total estimate including staff \$425,705

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:

The Auditor of Public Accounts, the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission, and the Department of Planning and Budget would be the primary assisting agencies but all agencies impacted by the Commission's work would be affected." It is not known how much increased workload, if any, would be placed on state agencies providing assistance to the Commission.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: N/A

11. Other Comments: N/A

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¹ HB 2463 designates the Lieutenant Governor as a Commission member. The Lieutenant Governor would not be reimbursed for meetings held in Richmond during business hours. Therefore, there would be no travel reimbursement for the Lieutenant Governor.