

Department of Planning and Budget 2009 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB1336

House of Origin	<u> X </u>	Introduced	<u> </u>	Substitute	<u> </u>	Engrossed
Second House	<u> </u>	In Committee	<u> </u>	Substitute	<u> </u>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Puckett, Miller, J.C., and Stuart

3. Committee: General Laws and Technology

4. Title: **Broadband Advisory Council.**

5. Summary: Establishes the Governor's Broadband Advisory Council. The purpose of the council shall be to advise the Governor on policy and funding priorities to expedite deployment and reduce the cost of broadband access in the Commonwealth. The council shall be staffed by the Office of Telework Promotion and Broadband Assistance.

6. Fiscal Impact: Minimal.

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

8. Fiscal Implications: Staffing will be handled by the Director of the Office of Telework Promotion and Broadband Assistance and Special Assistant to the Secretary of Technology in the same fashion that the Commonwealth Broadband Roundtable was handled in FY 2007. Compensation for the 11 members and any costs associated with staffing support of the council can be absorbed within the office's existing budget.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Secretary of Technology, Office of Telework Promotion and Broadband Assistance.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None.

11. Other Comments: The bill is identical to HB2423.

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