

**Department of Planning and Budget
2010 Fiscal Impact Statement**

1. Bill Number: HB1309

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

2. Patron: Scott, E.T.

3. Committee: House General Laws

4. Title: **Virginia Public Procurement Act; procurement of certain professional services by the Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner**

5. Summary: The proposed legislation would increase from \$2 million to \$5 million the amount of all projects in one contract term for environmental location, design, and inspection work regarding highways and bridges awarded by the Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner. Such contract may be renewable for two additional one-year terms at the option of the Commissioner.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See Item 8.

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: None.

8. Fiscal Implications: The bill would allow the Department of Transportation to enter into higher value contracts for environmental location, design and inspection work, which would allow the agency to support its programs and supplement staff resources with fewer contracts. Some cost savings may be realized by the agency through reduced staff time spent on preparing, advertising, awarding, and administering such contracts.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Transportation

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None.

11. Other Comments: None.

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