

Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB779

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

2. Patron: LeMunyon

3. Committee: House Transportation

4. Title: Northern Virginia transportation projects.

5. Summary: The proposed legislation would require the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and the Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) to evaluate and make annual reports on significant transportation improvement projects in the Northern Virginia highway construction district.

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

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: None.

8. Fiscal Implications: The proposed legislation would require the reports to evaluate the transportation projects by the total amount of traffic congestion reduced by the project and the traffic reduction the project achieved per dollar spent. Such evaluations are to be determined using transportation modeling software. VDOT would hire outside consultants to conduct the evaluations. The costs associated procuring and managing consultants would require VDOT and DRPT to shift funds from other priorities.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Transportation,
Department of Rail and Public Transportation

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None.

11. Other Comments: None.

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