Department of Planning and Budget 2011 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	HB1436					
	House of Origin	\boxtimes	Introduced		Substitute		Engrossed
	Second House		In Committee		Substitute		Enrolled

- **2. Patron:** Loupassi
- 3. Committee: Commerce and Labor
- **4. Title:** Automatic dialing-announcing devices; debt collections.
- **5. Summary:** Automatic dialing-announcing devices; debt collections. Prohibits a caller from using an automatic dialing-announcing device to make a debt collection communication to a subscriber unless the communication is immediately preceded by a live operator who discloses to the subscriber information about the debt and the purpose of the call, and the subscriber consents to receipt of the communication. In addition, the subscriber shall be provided the opportunity to converse with a live operator in order notify the caller that the debt is disputed, to request that the caller not make further debt collection communications, or to obtain the name and mailing address of the original creditor. Callers are further prohibited from using an automatic dialing-announcing device to make a debt collection communication (i) to a subscriber within 30 days after being requested by the subscriber not to make such communications and (ii) in a manner that causes the subscriber's telephone to ring repeatedly or continuously with intent to annoy, abuse, or harass.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: There is no material fiscal impact to the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

8. Fiscal Implications: None

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None

11. Other Comments: None

Date: 1/17/2011