Department of Planning and Budget 2011 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number: HB1771								
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	Second House		In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled				
2.	Patron:	Shuler							
3.	Committee: Appropriations								
4.	Title: Allocation of deputies to cities.								
5.	Summary: Authorizes the State Compensation Board to allocate law-enforcement deputies to a city sheriff in cities without a police force if the city was created by the consolidation of a city and a county subsequent to July 1, 2011.								
6.	Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes. Item 67.20, if four deputies are funded.								
7.	Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See Item 8.								

8. Fiscal Implications: Due to the hold harmless provision of § 15.2-1302, paragraph 1. ("...state funds shall not be reduced below the amounts that would have been received by each entity from the Commonwealth for the governmental program or function computed on the premise that no consolidation occurred for a period of twenty fiscal years following the consolidation"), the "599" funding previously identified as a savings (\$238,637) would continue being allocated to the locality, thereby eliminating any previous savings identified with this proposal.

According to the Compensation Board, the sheriff for the City of Alleghany Highlands will be eligible for four additional law enforcement positions at an annual cost of \$135,857 due to this proposed merger. It is not clear, though, given the hold harmless provision noted previously, whether additional funding from the Compensation Board is necessary despite the newly merged locality qualifying for more deputies.

- **9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** City of Alleghany Highlands (once established), Compensation Board and Department of Criminal Justice Services.
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.
- 11. Other Comments: Identical to SB 901.

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