Department of Planning and Budget 2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number: HB1200						
	House of Orig	gin 🖂	Introduced		Substitute		Engrossed
	Second House		In Committee		Substitute		Enrolled
2.	Patron:	n: Bulova					
3.	Committee: Commerce and Labor						
1 .	Title:	Human trafficking hotline; posted notices.					

- 5. Summary: Provides that any person who owns a business that provides entertainment commonly called stripteasing or topless entertaining or entertainment that has employees who are not clad both above and below the waist and who fails to post a specific notice in a clearly visible place on the premises thereof is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. The notice provides the telephone number of the National Human Trafficking Resource Center hotline.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary; See item 8 below.
- 8. Fiscal Implications: Although insufficient data exists to determine the fiscal impact due to this proposal, the legislation could result in an increase in the jail population since Class 1 misdemeanor outcomes result in sentences of up to 12 months in jail (and a fine up to \$2,500). Any increase in jail population will increase costs to the state. The Commonwealth presently pays the localities \$4.00 a day for each misdemeanant or otherwise local responsible prisoner held in a jail. It also funds most of the jails' operating costs, e.g. correctional officers. The state's share of these costs on a per prisoner, per day basis varies from locality to locality. However, according to the Compensation Board's FY2010 Jail Cost Report (November 1, 2011), the estimated total state support for local and regional jails averaged \$29.98 per state inmate, per day in FY 2010.

Also, the proposal adds a responsibility to the Office of the Secretary of Commerce and Trade that is out of the current normal course of business for the office. This responsibility could require additional resources and personnel for the office to enforce the requirements of the bill.

- **9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Local and regional jails, Compensation Board, Secretary of Commerce.
- **10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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