

**Virginia Department Of Transportation  
2012 Fiscal Impact Statement (Regular Session)**

**1. Bill Number: HB 72**

**House of Origin** ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

**Second House** ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

**2. Patron: Bell, R.**

**3. Committee: House Transportation**

**4. Title: Highway work zones**

**5. Summary/Purpose:**

This bill would amend section 46.2-878.1 of the Code of Virginia to require highway work zones to be "clearly" marked with warning signs "and flashing lights" or other traffic control devices indicating that work is in progress.

**6. Fiscal Impacts are unavailable**

**7. Budget amendment necessary: NO**

**8. Fiscal implications:** As proposed, the bill would pose additional cost impacts for work zones if "flashing lights" is interpreted to require stationary signs with flashing lights at all work zones. Stationary signs with flashing lights tend to be more expensive than other traffic control devices. To equip a standard work zone sign with flashing lights could potentially double the cost of each sign at a daily cost of \$500 to \$3000 per work zone.

**9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** State Police, DMV, all local government law enforcement, local agencies and VDOT.

**10. Technical amendment necessary: NO**

**11. Other comments: NO**

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cc: Secretary of Transportation