

## Department of Planning and Budget 2013 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB1980

<b>House of Origin</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
<b>Second House</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

**2. Patron:** May

**3. Committee:** House Transportation

**4. Title:** Dulles Greenway Authority created.

**5. Summary:** The Dulles Greenway is a 14-mile long privately-owned toll road in Loudoun County. The road was completed in 1995 in compliance with the Virginia Highway Corporation Act of 1988, a precursor to the Public Private Transportation Act of 1995.

The proposed legislation would create the Dulles Greenway Authority to operate and maintain the Dulles Greenway. The Authority would be governed by a board of directors composed of 15 voting members. The Governor would appoint one current member of the local governing body of the Counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, and Prince William and the Cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Manassas, and Manassas Park; four nonlegislative citizen members are to be appointed by the Speaker of the House; and two nonlegislative citizen members are to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules. The Secretary of Transportation would serve as a nonvoting ex officio member of the board. The representatives of Fairfax County and Loudoun County would each cast two votes for each question before the board.

The board would be responsible for operating, maintaining and administering the Greenway on behalf of the Commonwealth. The Authority is to collect tolls established by the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) and deposit the toll revenue into the state treasury. The bill contains an enactment clause making the bill effective only if the CTB acquires the Dulles Greenway on or before July 1, 2015.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** None.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See Item 8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The proposed legislation would not directly impact state finances. The provisions of the bill only become effective if the state purchases the Dulles Greenway prior to July 1, 2015. The CTB would need specific authority from the General Assembly to purchase the facility, should it become available. The CTB is also authorized to allocate funds to the authority, subject to appropriation by the General Assembly.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Commonwealth Transportation Board; local governments in Northern Virginia

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** None.

**11. Other Comments:** HB1979 authorizes the CTB to issue bonds to purchase the Dulles Greenway.

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