

## Department of Planning and Budget 2014 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB1244

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

**2. Patron:** Rust

**3. Committee:** Appropriations

**4. Title:** Department of Transportation; consider results of a demand study concerning Potomac River crossings.

**5. Summary:** This legislation will require the Department of Transportation (VDOT) to consider the results of the ongoing transportation demand study concerning Potomac River crossings between Virginia and Maryland, and with those results study the costs, feasibility, and transportation impacts of a new Potomac River crossing between the Point of Rocks Bridge (U.S. Route 15) in Virginia and Route 301 in Maryland. If this study reveals the need for such an additional crossing, the Department shall provide the members of the General Assembly, the Chairmen of the House and Senate Transportation Committees, and the Secretary of Transportation a recommendation and analysis of the preferred site or sites for such crossing by December 1, 2015.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

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

**7a. Expenditure Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2014	0	0	
2015	\$250,000	0	NGF
2016	\$250,000	0	NGF
2017	0	0	
2018	0	0	
2019	0	0	
2020	0	0	

**8. Fiscal Implications:** According to VDOT, the proposed assessment of costs, feasibility and transportation impacts will require additional study to identify alternative locations for an additional crossing. The expanded study requested in the bill will have to address conceptual design, planning level cost estimates, potential funding sources, coordination with affected parties and development of a consensus on a draft recommendation.

The study would be performed by a consultant. VDOT estimates an initial conceptual study will cost approximately \$500,000.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** VDOT, the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation, Northern Virginia Regional Commission, Northern Virginia Transportation Authority, National Capital Region Transportation Board, Fredericksburg Area Metropolitan Planning Organization; the Counties of Loudoun, Fairfax, Arlington, King George, Prince William, Stafford; the City of Alexandria; Washington, D.C. and Maryland.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** None.

C. Secretary of Transportation

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