Department of Planning and Budget 2014 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	HB70		
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled

2. Patron: Marshall, D.W.

3. Committee: Rules

- 4. Title: Transportation Accountability, Joint Commission on; power and duties.
- **5. Summary:** Vests the Joint Commission on Transportation Accountability with the power and duty to make performance reviews of state agencies with transportation responsibilities to ensure that funds appropriated to those agencies are being used for their intended purposes and in accord with legislative intent. The bill also directs the Commission, prior to the 2015 Session, to study the costs and benefits of coordinating traffic light signals.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.
- 8. Fiscal Implications: Fiscal impacts are likely to be incurred by legislative staff supporting the Commission to prepare the study for the costs and benefits of coordinating traffic light signals, but estimates for this task are not yet available. Other state agencies, such as the Virginia Department of Transportation, may incur costs associated with this bill, particularly in the sharing of data and knowledge in the transportation arena. Additional Commission meetings are likely to be needed to review the study's findings, so additional per diem payouts will be incurred.
- **9.** Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: General Assembly; Division of Legislative Services.
- **10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** Yes. Subparagraph 4 appears to be a duplication of subparagraph 1.
- 11. Other Comments: None.

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