

Department of Planning and Budget

2014 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB732

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: Lingamfelter

3. Committee: General Laws

4. Title: Secretary of Administration; transfer of powers and duties; elimination of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

5. Summary: The bill eliminates the position of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and transfers all powers and duties of the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the Secretary of Administration. The bill provides that wherever in the Code of Virginia the term "Secretary of the Commonwealth" is used, it shall be deemed to mean the Secretary of Administration. The bill makes the Secretary of Administration responsible for the Division of Executive Support, formerly the duties of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: Both the Secretary of Administration (SOA) and the Secretary of the Commonwealth (SOC) expect a fiscal impact resulting from the merging of SOC powers and duties to SOA. The agencies expect substantial costs associated with reorganizational issues such as computer system changes, possible moving costs, database transfers, and printing costs. Ongoing costs are expected for an additional deputy secretary and an assistant to ensure continuity of operations at the new Division of Executive Support. Total costs would be reduced by the salary and benefits savings associated with the elimination of the Secretary of Commonwealth's position.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Secretary of the Commonwealth; Secretary of Administration.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.