

Department of Planning and Budget

2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1901

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

2. Patron: Lopez

3. Committee: General Laws and Technology

4. Title: Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity; definition of small business.

5. Summary: This bill changes the definition of small business to an independent business located in the Commonwealth that is eligible for the small business determination as defined in regulations promulgated by the U.S. Small Business Administration. Currently, a small business is required to have 250 or fewer employees or average annual gross receipts of \$10 million or less averaged over the previous three years. The bill will not become effective unless reenacted by the 2016 Session of the General Assembly. The requires the Secretary of Commerce and Trade to convene a work group of interested stakeholders to examine the definition of small business in the Code of Virginia and report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly on or before December 1, 2015.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill contains an enactment clause specifying that the provisions set forth in the bill will not become effective unless reenacted by the 2016 General Assembly. As such, no fiscal impact is expected to the Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity at this time.

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9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity; Secretary of Commerce and Trade.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: This bill is similar to SB885.