## Department of Planning and Budget 2016 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	HB1353		
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled

- **2. Patron:** Bell, John J.
- 3. Committee: General Laws
- **4. Title:** Purchase of flags of the United States of America and the Commonwealth of Virginia by public bodies
- **5. Summary:** Purchase of flags of the United States of America and the Commonwealth of Virginia by public bodies. Provides that whenever a state or local public body or school division purchases a flag of the United States or a flag of the Commonwealth for public use, such flag must be made in the United States from articles, materials, or supplies that are grown, produced, and manufactured in the United States. The bill has a delayed effective date of July 1, 2017.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Uncertain
- 8. Fiscal Implications: Public bodies could see negligible increases in expenditures as flags meeting the standards may carry a higher price. Insufficient data exist to determine exact differences, but any impact would be insignificant due to small difference in price and rarity of purchases.
- **9.** Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: All public bodies unless the body has received an exception to the Virginia Public Procurement Act, is operating under the Restructured Higher Education Act in the operational area of procurement or has adopted procurement regulations alternative to the Virginia Public Procurement Act. Eleven institutes of higher education currently operate under management agreements and memorandums of understanding in the operational area of procurement. Certain local governments have alternative procurement regulations as authorized by §2.2-4343 and would therefore be exempt from bill requirements.

## 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

**11. Other Comments:** This bill is identical to SB 229 and HB 1299.