

## Department of Planning and Budget 2018 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB851

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

**2. Patron:** Ingram

**3. Committee:** General Laws

**4. Title:** Virginia Public Procurement Act; request for proposals; publication.

**5. Summary:** Removes the requirement of newspaper publication of Requests for Proposals for professional services.

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

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Fiscal impact is indeterminate; see Item 8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The bill eliminates the requirement to publish announcements of Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for professional services in newspapers. Any impact is indeterminate and would depend on whether public bodies choose to continue to publish such announcements in newspapers and publishing costs. Data from the Department of General Services (DGS) indicates 510 out of a total of total of 1,747 RFPs published by state agencies in fiscal year 2017 were categorized as professional services. For illustration purposes, the last RFP published by DGS was approximately \$70; however, publishing costs depend on factors such as the size of the ad.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** All public bodies, unless the body has received an exemption from the Virginia Public Procurement Act, such as through the Higher Education Restructuring Act or the Appropriation Act.

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

**11. Other Comments:** None.

Date: 2/8/2018