

## Department of Planning and Budget 2018 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB991

**House of Origin**    ☐ Introduced    ☒ Substitute    ☐ Engrossed  
**Second House**    ☐ In Committee    ☐ Substitute    ☐ Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Edwards

**3. Committee:** Finance

**4. Title:** Appointments to Broadband Advisory Council; expiration.

**5. Summary:** Increases from 14 to 17 the total membership of the Broadband Advisory Council by adding an additional non-legislative member, who shall be a representative of a municipal broadband authority, and two additional members of the Senate. The bill also extends the expiration of the council from July 1, 2018, to July1, 2021, and replaces the Secretary of Technology with the Secretary of Administration as an ex officio member of the Council.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes, Item 1.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:**

**7a. Expenditure Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2018	\$0	-
2019	\$2,400	General
2020	\$2,400	General
2021	\$2,400	General
2022	-	-
2023	-	-
2024	-	-

**8. Fiscal Implications:** This legislation would add two additional members of the Senate to the Broadband Advisory Council. Consistent with the existing statute, legislative members of the Council receive compensation and are eligible for reimbursement of reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. The compensation for these two additional members would be paid by the Senate of Virginia and the costs for reasonable and necessary expenditures are currently paid from the budget of the Secretary of Technology. Per the Office of the Clerk of the Senate, the fiscal impact to provide compensation for these two members is \$2,400 per year. The reimbursement for reasonable and necessary expenses for these two members is not expected to generate a fiscal impact.

This legislation would also add an additional non-legislative member to the Broadband Advisory Council. Consistent with the existing statute, non-legislative members of the

Council serve without compensation but are eligible for reimbursement of reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. As indicated above, such costs are paid from the budget of the Secretary of Technology. The addition of one non-legislative member to the Council is not expected to create a state fiscal impact.

This legislation would also extend the expiration of the Council from July 1, 2018 to July 1, 2021. Existing funding for the Council is included in HB30, as introduced, through the Office of the Secretary of Technology. Therefore, this provision of the legislation does not create a state fiscal impact. Replacing the Secretary of Technology with the Secretary of Administration as an ex officio member also does not generate a state fiscal impact.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Broadband Advisory Council, Secretary of Technology

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** Yes. Line 28 removes the Secretary of Technology from membership on the Council, however, lines 39 through 41 are not amended and still require the Secretary of Technology to pay for expenses related to the Council. Clarification is needed as to which Secretary will now have responsibility for these expenses.

**11. Other Comments:** HB999 would extend the Broadband Advisory Council through 2028.

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