

Department of Planning and Budget 2019 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB246

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: Gregory D. Habeeb

3. Committee: Rules

4. Title: Virginia Code Commission; duties.

5. Summary: Limits the duties of the Virginia Code Commission relating to the codification of laws enacted by the General Assembly to codifying only those laws for which the General Assembly has expressed its intent for such laws to be codified through the title of the bills relating to such laws. The bill also prohibits the Commission from excluding from the Code of Virginia a law for which the General Assembly has expressed its intent for the same to be codified through the title of the bill.

In addition, beginning with the 2018 Regular Session of the General Assembly, the Commission will be required to arrange for (i) the printing or (ii) the publication on a legislative branch agency website of all enactments of a chapter of the acts of assembly if any provision of the chapter is codified as a law. Such enactments will be printed or published on a legislative branch agency website as they appear in the chapter of the acts of assembly.

Currently, the Commission is charged with maintaining a Code of the general and permanent statutes of the Commonwealth. In carrying out this charge, the Commission may codify laws for which the title of the related bill did not provide for any change to the Code (Section 1 bills and certain final enactment clauses) and may exclude from the Code laws for which the title of the related bill actually provided for changes to the Code.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: None.

8. Fiscal Implications: No fiscal impact to state agencies.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia Code Commission and Division of Legislative Services.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: Continued from 2018 Session.