

## Department of Planning and Budget

### 2019 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB1618

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

**2. Patron:** Edwards

**3. Committee:** Rules

**4. Title:** Office of Telework Promotion and Broadband Assistance; Broadband Advisory Council; expiration.

**5. Summary:** Extends the expiration of the Office of Telework Promotion and Broadband Assistance and the Broadband Advisory Council from July 1, 2019, to July 1, 2021, and alters and expands from 14 to 17 the membership of the Council. The bill removes specific Cabinet Secretaries from the member list and instead specifies that the Governor shall appoint three secretaries. The bill makes technical amendments.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes, Item 1 of HB1700/SB1100.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary.

**7a. Expenditure Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2019	n/a	n/a	n/a
2020	\$1,200	n/a	GF
2021	\$1,200	n/a	GF
2022	n/a	n/a	n/a
2023	n/a	n/a	n/a
2024	n/a	n/a	n/a
2025	n/a	n/a	n/a

**8. Fiscal Implications:** This bill adds an additional member of the Senate to the Broadband Advisory Council. The Clerk of the Senate is responsible for providing funding for compensation and expenses incurred by Senate members of the Broadband Advisory Council in performance of their duties. The Clerk of the Senate estimates a cost of \$1,200 to support an additional Senate member of the Council.

The bill clarifies that compensation for nonlegislative members of the Council and all other staff duties to the Council shall be provided by the office of one of the secretaries appointed to the Council at the discretion of the Governor.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Clerk of the Senate; Cabinet Secretaries.

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

**11. Other Comments:** HB2541 is the companion to this bill.