

Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB658

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: Surovell

3. Committee: General Laws and Technology

4. Title: Contracts with design professionals; provisions requiring a duty to defend void.

5. Summary: Provides that a provision contained in a contract between an architect or professional engineer and any public body relating to the planning or design of a building requiring the architect or professional engineer to defend another party to the contract or a named indemnitee against liability for damage arising out of bodily injury to persons or damage to the property suffered in the course of the performance of the contract that is caused by or that resulted solely from the negligence of such other party is against public policy and is void and unenforceable.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: No state fiscal impact.

8. Fiscal Implications: The Department of General Services indicates that this bill is not expected to create a state fiscal impact.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: All public bodies.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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