

## Department of Planning and Budget 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB964

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

2. **Patron:** Subramanyam

3. **Committee:** General Laws

4. **Title:** Virginia Public Procurement Act; methods of procurement; submitting bids electronically.

5. **Summary:** Provides that all state public bodies accepting bids or proposals for contracts pursuant to the Virginia Public Procurement Act shall provide an option to submit bids or proposals through the Commonwealth's electronic procurement system, known as eVA. In the bill, local public bodies are encouraged to use eVA to offer an electronic submission option. The bill contains delayed effective date of July 1, 2023.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** See Item 8.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** See Item 8.

8. **Fiscal Implications:** This legislation would require all state public bodies accepting bids or proposals for contracts pursuant to the Virginia Public Procurement Act (VPPA) to provide an option to submit bids or proposals through the Commonwealth's statewide electronic procurement system, known as eVA.

The Department of General Services (DGS) indicates there is no fiscal impact to the agency as a result of this bill.

The Department of Transportation (VDOT) does not currently use eVA for certain activities, such as highway construction. VDOT indicates that if the agency is to transition to eVA from its existing system, the agency will need to dedicate its information technology resources toward the transition, along with other efforts to integrate or interface eVA to other VDOT systems. The estimated cost for these efforts is currently unknown.

This bill is not expected to impact most public institutions of higher education, specifically those designated as Level III or Level II institutions, as they are not subject to the VPPA.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** This bill as written applies to all state public bodies subject to the Virginia Public Procurement Act. This bill does not apply to higher education institutions operating under Management Agreements and Memoranda of Understanding in the operational area of procurement (currently 13 Level III and Level II institutions).

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

**11. Other Comments:** None.

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