

**Department of Planning and Budget
2011 Fiscal Impact Statement**

1. Bill Number: HB1670

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

2. Patron: Brink

3. Committee: Courts of Justice

4. Title: Conflicts of interests for notaries.

5. Summary: The bill provides that a notary shall not perform any notarial act with respect to any document, writing, or electronic document that presents a conflict between his personal interest and his official duty. A notary who acts in violation of this bill's provision is guilty of official misconduct. Under current law, a notary shall not perform any notarial act with respect to any document, writing, or electronic document to which the notary or his spouse is a party, or in which either of them has a direct beneficial interest, and a notary who performs such act is guilty of official misconduct.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: No fiscal impact.

8. Fiscal Implications: The bill clarifies and expands existing language, but the Secretary of the Commonwealth's Office confirms that the changes do not present any fiscal impact to the Commonwealth.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Secretary of the Commonwealth.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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