

## Department of Planning and Budget 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB339

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:** Barker

**3. Committee:** Local Government

**4. Title:** Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority; alternate directors.

**5. Summary:** Repeals a provision of the 2018 mass transit funding legislation that requires the Commonwealth Transportation Board to withhold certain funding from the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority if alternate directors of the Authority participate in or take action at a meeting at which the primary directors are present or the WMATA Board of Directors fails to adopt bylaws that would prohibit participation by alternate directors.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See item 8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The bill repeals language included in the seventh enactment of Chapter 854 and the seventh enactment of Chapter 856 of the Acts of Assembly of 2018 requiring the Commonwealth to withhold 20 percent of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority's (WMATA) share of the Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund if alternate directors of WMATA participate in or take action at a meeting at which the primary directors are present or the WMATA Board of Directors fails to adopt bylaws that would prohibit participation by alternate directors.

The Department Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) has confirmed that WMATA has complied with the language being repealed. To date, the Commonwealth has not withheld funding to WMATA based on violation of the provisions of the language repealed by this legislation.

While this bill would repeal the seventh enactment of Chapter 854 and the seventh enactment of Chapter 856 of the Acts of Assembly of 2018, similar language remains included in subdivision L, § 33.2-1526.1, Code of Virginia. In the event of participation of an alternate director in the presence of a primary director, or a change in WMATA bylaws allowing such participation, the Commonwealth would remain required to withhold 20 percent of WMATA's allocation from the Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund.

It is anticipated that this legislation will not have a state fiscal impact to DRPT.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department Rail and Public Transportation, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority.

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

**11. Other Comments:** None.