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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT

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Bill Number:	S. 0325	Introduced on February 6, 2025
Subject:	Consumer Affairs	
Requestor:	Senate Banking and Insurance	
RFA Analyst(s):	Vesely	
Impact Date:	March 24, 2025	

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill moves the Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) into the Governor's Cabinet and amends existing references to DCA to reflect this change. The commission that selects the administrator for the agency, the Commission on Consumer Affairs, made up of the Secretary of State, four members appointed by the Governor, and four members elected by the General Assembly, will be disbanded. In its place, the Governor will appoint an administrator of DCA upon advice and consent of the Senate.

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Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

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The Office of the Governor indicates moving DCA into the Cabinet will have no fiscal impact. The Governor currently appoints four members of the Commission on Consumer Affairs. This bill would effectively change the responsibilities to appointment of the administrator himself by the Governor upon advice and consent of the Senate. Therefore, this bill would have no fiscal impact on the Office of the Governor.

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State Revenue

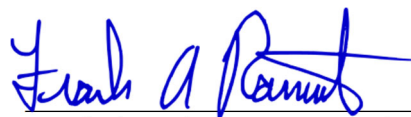
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Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A



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