

**Virginia Department of Transportation  
2002 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB871

<b>House of Origin</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
<b>Second House</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Phillips, C.

**3. Committee:** House Transportation

**4. Title:** Overweight permits for vehicles hauling timber.

**5. Summary/Purpose:**

Overweight permits for vehicles hauling timber. Applies, mutatis mutandis, the provisions of §46.2-1143 (overweight permits for coal haulers), including penalties, to overweight permits for timber haulers.

**6. Tentative Fiscal Impacts are:**

**6a. Expenditure Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2001-02	\$0.00	0	
2002-03	\$31,666,635.00	0	NGF
2003-04	\$31,666,635.00	0	NGF

**b. Revenue Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2001-02	\$0.00	0	
2002-03	\$0.00	0	
2003-04	\$0.00	0	

**7. Budget amendment necessary:** NO

**8. Fiscal implications:** Increased maintenance costs of approximately \$32 million annually due to the increased highway deterioration. These funds may have to be taken from the Transportation Maintenance and Operations fund.

Using data from House Document No. 18, which includes a 2000 study that looked at the impact of higher weight limits on highways in the counties of Buchanan, Dickerson, Lee, Russell, Scott, Tazewell, and Wise, the final estimation was estimated for the 95 counties in the Commonwealth. The report stated it would cost \$28 million over a 12 year period. Using these figures, divide \$28 million by the 7 counties, divide that by the 12 year period, to get the cost per year, then multiply that by the 95 counties in Virginia to get the total, which is \$31,666,635.00.

**9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Department of Transportation, Department of Motor Vehicles, Virginia State Police

**10. Technicalamendmentnecessary:** NO

**11. Othercomments:** NO

**Date:** 01/15/2002

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