

Department of Planning and Budget 2004 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB1177

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

2. Patron Bryant

3. Committee Passed Both Houses

4. Title Consolidation of stormwater management programs

5. Summary/Purpose: The bill consolidates Virginia's stormwater management programs within the Department of Conservation and Recreation and transfers oversight responsibilities to the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board from the Board of Conservation and Recreation.

The bill has numerous enactment clauses that repeal § 10.1-603.10 of the Code of Virginia after adoption of a statewide permit fee schedule; make the provisions of the bill related to national pollutant discharge elimination system permits effective January 1, 2005 or upon approval by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's delegation of program authority; provide authority for the Department of Conservation and Recreation to seek a delegation of program authority from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency under the federal Clean Water Act; transfers the Virginia Stormwater Management Act regulations from the Board of Conservation and Recreation to the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board; and transfers the appropriate regulations from the State Water Control Board to the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are final: SEE ITEM 8.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No, the transfer of positions and funding from one agency to another can be done administratively to enact the provisions of this bill.

8. Fiscal implications: The fiscal impact to the state should be minimal and is limited to a transfer of resources from one state agency to another. The bill is consolidating the state's stormwater management programs within the Department of Conservation and Recreation. As a result of consolidation the Department of Conservation and Recreation will need 15 additional positions to administer the stormwater programs. The agency estimates that the stormwater permit fees will generate about \$2.8 million a year to cover the full costs of the positions and all associated support costs. The positions and nongeneral fund appropriation will be transferred from the Department of Environmental Quality to the Department of Conservation and Recreation. The exact dollar amount and number of positions to be transferred administratively will be determined by agreement of the agencies and corresponding with the transfer of responsibilities between the agencies.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of Conservation Recreation, Department of Environmental Quality, and the Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance Department.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Natural Resources