Department of Planning and Budget 2004 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number SB345ER	
	House of Orig	in Introduced Substitute Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee Substitute Enrolled
2.	Patron	Williams
3.	Committee	Passed Both Houses
1.	Title	Commercial driver's licenses; hazmat endorsement.
5.	5. Summary/Purpose: This legislation proposes to amend and reenact § 46.2-341.16:1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to hazmat endorsements on Commercial driver's licenses. The bill authorizes the imposition of additional fees for issuance of any hazmat endorsement, in order to offset costs incurred as the result of provisions of the U.S.A. Patriot Act.	

- **6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are:** Final. See item #8.
- 7. Budget amendment necessary: No.
- **8. Fiscal implications:** The fiscal impact of this legislation is uncertain. Enactment of this bill would bring Virginia into compliance with the interim rules promulgated by the U.S. Department of Transportation Security Administration (TSA) to implement the hazardous materials requirements of Section 1012 of the U.S.A. Patriot Act of 2001. The legislation contains provisions authorizing the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to charge fees to offset any state costs. Failure to comply with these rules could cause the state to have federal highway funds to be withheld. The agency is unable to accurately estimate the number of commercial drivers license holders that will seek the additional hazmat endorsement or the possible revenues that it may collect.
- 9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of Motor Vehicles
- **10.** Technical amendment necessary: No.
- **11. Other comments:** The bill ends with an emergency clause that causes the bill to become law immediately upon passage.

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cc: Secretary of Transportation