

Department of Planning and Budget
2005 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2031

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: Miles

3. Committee: Agriculture, Chesapeake, and Natural Resources

4. Title: Mapping of inundation zones

5. Summary/Purpose: The bill authorizes localities to map inundation zones for those areas that may be threatened by a break in a dam, and encourages localities to incorporate this information into their zoning and subdivision ordinances. The bill also authorizes the Director of the Department of Conservation and Recreation to award grants to assist with mapping and digitization of dam break inundation zones.

6. Fiscal Impact: See item 8.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications: The legislation authorizes grants to localities for mapping and digitizing dam inundation zones, should funds be made available. The grants will be funded through an existing funding source, the flood plain insurance premiums paid by property owners in flood plains. Currently, §10.1-603.19, Code of Virginia, provides for the flood plain premiums to be used for grants for design, repair, or other safety modifications to dams. The proposed legislation expands the grant authority to include grants for mapping and digitization of dam break inundation zones.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of Conservation and Recreation, localities.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Natural Resources