

Department of Planning and Budget 2007 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number SB1301

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 Newman

3. Committee Passed both Houses

4. Title Water Quality Improvement Fund; transfers to the Combined Sewer Overflow Fund

5. Summary/Purpose: The bill provides for a portion of the deposit to the Water Quality Improvement Fund (from surplus revenues and any unreserved general fund balance) for nonpoint source pollution abatement to be deposited into a special fund to be used to help eliminate combined sewer overflow (CSO) systems in the Cities of Lynchburg and Richmond. The aggregate amount of the transfer to the Combined Sewer Overflow matching fund shall not exceed \$35 million, and the bill is in effect from July 1, 2007 to July 1, 2017.

6. Fiscal impact estimates are: Indeterminate. See item 8.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No, the bill does not impact the current biennial budget.

8. Fiscal implications: The bill directs that if less than 70 percent of the deposit to the Water Quality Improvement Fund (WQIF) from surplus revenues and any unreserved general fund balance is directed to nonpoint source pollution abatement, than one-third of that amount should be deposited to the Combined Sewer Overflow matching fund. When 70 percent of the deposit to the WQIF is directed to nonpoint source pollution, than one-half of that amount should be deposited to the matching fund.

The Department of Conservation and Recreation estimates that the total cost of controlling nonpoint source pollution to meet Virginia's obligations under the Chesapeake Bay agreement will exceed \$2 billion. The bill directs \$35 million from the primary funding source for the nonpoint source programs to the Combined Sewer Overflow fund.

The bill only addresses mandatory deposits to the WQIF. Supplemental deposits may also be appropriated to the fund.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of Conservation and Recreation, City of Lynchburg, City of Richmond.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Natural Resources