Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

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1.	Bill Number: HB 1586
	House of Origin
	Second House
2.	Patron: Kory
3.	Committee: Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources
4.	Title: Community cat programs; localities to authorize operation of programs.
5.	Summary: This bill allows localities to authorize the operation of community cat programs. In a community cat program, a caregiver who has an outdoor, free-roaming cat sterilized and returns it to the area where it was captured is not considered the legal owner or custodian of the cat. The bill exempts a community cat caregiver from criminal and civil liability for any decisions made or services rendered as part of a community cat program, except for willful and wanton misconduct.
6.	Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
7.	Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.
8.	Fiscal Implications: It is anticipated that this bill will not have a fiscal impact on the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.
9.	Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; localities.
10.	Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: This bill is identical to SB 699 as introduced.