Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number	l Number: HB1746					
	House of Original	in 🖂	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed		
	Second House		In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled		
2.	Patron:	Ingram					
3.	Committee: House Transportation						
4.	Title:	Operation of bicycles on certain bicycle paths and trails, bicycle lanes, and shared-use paths.					
5.	Summary: Provides that wherever a bicycle path or trail designated by the Department of Conservation and Recreation, a bicycle lane, or a shared-use path is available to bicyclists as an alternative to a roadway available for motor vehicles, bicyclists are required to use those paths, lanes, and trails and are prohibited from using roadways available for operation of motor vehicles.						

- **6. Budget Amendment Necessary**: No
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Indeterminate. See Item 8.
- **8. Fiscal Implications:** The potential costs associated with this bill cannot be determined at this time. Costs could include the creating and posting of statewide signage pertaining to the prohibition on the use and operation of bicycles on roadways where bicycle lanes, shared use paths or parallel trail facilities are available. The number of signs that would be needed is unknown; the estimated cost per sign is \$250 and \$350. Driver education materials may need to be updated at the Department of Motor Vehicles on the new prohibitions. In addition, updates to the State Bicycle Map, as well as Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) bike informational materials would also be necessary. It is assumed that enforcement of the bill's provisions could be addressed with existing law enforcement resources.
- **9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Motor Vehicles, VDOT, Department of Conversation and Recreation, law enforcement agencies, and localities having bike trails.
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None