

# Department of Planning and Budget

## 2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB1316

**House of Origin**    ☒ Introduced    ☐ Substitute    ☐ Engrossed  
**Second House**    ☐ In Committee    ☐ Substitute    ☐ Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Carrico

**3. Committee:** Transportation

**4. Title:** Overweight permits for trucks hauling asphalt.

**5. Summary:** This bill adds trucks hauling asphalt to those vehicles whose owner or operator may obtain an overweight permit from the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles to operate in counties that impose a severance tax on gases or a severance license tax on coal producers. The bill specifies that vehicles with six axles must have no less than 40 feet between extreme axles to exceed gross weight limitations.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See Item #8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** Although incalculable from a fiscal standpoint, according to the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) the effects of this bill will likely be to slightly slow the rate of deterioration on pavements and bridges in the coal severance tax area because it will require minimum axle spacing for vehicles addressed in § 46.2-1143 with a gross weight up to 110,000 pounds, which will allow for better weight distribution for such vehicles. This could be helpful in keeping VDOT maintenance costs in check for this area.

This bill amends two fees outlined in § 46.2-1143. Overweight permits issued according to § 46.2-1143(b) cost \$130, of which \$10 goes to the Department of Motor Vehicles and \$120 goes to the Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund. Overweight permits issued according to § 46.2-1143(h) cost \$70, of which \$5 goes to the Department of Motor Vehicles and \$65 goes to the Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund. Should this bill result in increased issuance of these overweight permits, the Department of Motor Vehicles and the Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund will see some increase in revenue.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Motor Vehicles, Department of Transportation, localities in the Coal and Gas Tax Severance area.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** None.

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cc: Secretary of Transportation