Department of Planning and Budget
2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** SB898

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

2. **Patron:** Stuart

3. **Committee:** Passed Both Houses

4. **Title:** Potomac River Watershed; Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to identify owner of any combined sewer overflow outfall, etc.

5. **Summary:** Directs DEQ to identify the owner of any combined sewer overflow outfall that discharges into the Chesapeake Bay Watershed and to determine what actions by the owner, if it is not under a state order, are necessary to bring such an outfall into compliance with Virginia law, the federal Clean Water Act, and the Presumption Approach described in the CSO Control Policy of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The bill requires any owner of such an outfall to initiate construction activities by July 1, 2023, to bring it into compliance by July 1, 2025. Until compliance is achieved, the bill requires the outfall owner to annually report its progress to DEQ. The bill requires DEQ to provide all such reports to certain legislative committees, the Virginia delegation to the Chesapeake Bay Commission, the Secretary of Natural Resources, and the Governor. The bill does not apply to any outfall for which a higher level of control is necessary to comply with a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL).

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

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Final.

8. **Fiscal Implications:** It is anticipated that any fiscal impact this bill may have DEQ can be absorbed within existing resources. This bill may affect the Cities of Lynchburg, Richmond, and Alexandria.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Environmental Quality.

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

11. **Other Comments:** HB2383 is the companion to this bill.