

Department of Housing and Community Development

2018 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB 948

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

2. Patron: Wexton

3. Committee: Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor.

4. Title: Net neutrality.

5. Summary: Provides that an entity engaged in the provision of broadband Internet access service in the Commonwealth shall not (i) block lawful content, applications, services, or nonharmful devices, subject to reasonable network management; (ii) impair or degrade lawful Internet traffic on the basis of Internet content, application, or service, or use of a nonharmful device, subject to reasonable network management; (iii) engage in paid prioritization; or (iv) unreasonably interfere with or unreasonably disadvantage (a) end users' ability to select, access, and use broadband Internet access service or the lawful Internet content, applications, services, or devices of their choice or (b) edge providers' ability to make lawful content, applications, services, or devices available to end users.

The bill also provides that except as provided in certain limited circumstances, a provider shall not knowingly disclose certain personally identifiable information concerning a consumer of the Internet service provider.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Not Applicable

7a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2018			
2019			
2020			
2021			
2022			

7b. Revenue Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2018		
2019		
2020		
2021		
2022		

8. Fiscal Implications: Per § 30-19.03 of the Code of Virginia, the Commission on Local Government has determined that this bill does not warrant preparation of a Fiscal Impact Statement because the bill does not require a net additional expenditure by an county, city, or town, nor does it require a net reduction of revenues by any county, city, or town.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: No

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: N/A