Department of Planning and Budget 2019 Fiscal Impact Statement

| 1. | Bill Number | r: SB15 | 61 | | |
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| | Second House | | In Committee | Substitute | Enrolled |
| 2. | Patron: | Lewis | | | |
| 3. | Committee: | Rules | | | |

4. Title: Department of Environmental Quality; Department of Education; sixth grade science curriculum

- **5. Summary:** Directs the Department of Environmental Quality and the Department of Education to update the "Window into a Green Virginia" curriculum developed by the Departments for sixth grade science to include a unit on the benefits, including the energy benefits, of recycling and reuse.
- **6. Budget Amendment Necessary**: Yes, Item 128 of HB1700/SB1100.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See item 8, below.

7a. Expenditure Impact:

| Fiscal Year | Dollars | Positions | Fund |
|-------------|----------|------------------|--------------|
| 2019 | - | - | - |
| 2020 | \$26,400 | - | General Fund |

8. Fiscal Implications: The Department of Education (VDOE) does not develop curriculum, so it would need to consult with sources outside the department. VDOE would likely request assistance from three teachers and then the content would need to be made web-accessible. VDOE estimates that it would require \$26,400 in additional resources to develop the curriculum.

It is anticipated that the Department of Environmental Quality can absorb any costs resulting from the provisions of this bill.

- **9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Education, Department of Environmental Quality
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.
- 11. Other Comments: This bill is similar to HB1908.