

## Department of Planning and Budget 2021 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB1760

**House of Origin**     Introduced     Substitute     Engrossed

**Second House**     In Committee     Substitute     Enrolled

**2. Patron:**    Webert

**3. Committee:** Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

**4. Title:**    Conservation easements; certain easements be liberally construed in favor of purpose which created.

**5. Summary:** Provides that an easement held pursuant to the Virginia Conservation Easement Act or the Open-Space Land Act or by the Virginia Land Conservation Foundation be liberally construed in favor of achieving the conservation purposes for which it was created.

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

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** It is anticipated that this bill will not result in a fiscal impact to the Department of Conservation and Recreation. Currently, § 4-4.00 of HB1800/SB100 includes provisions related to acquisition and construction of property. Any conflict that may exist between the provisions of these amendments and the provisions of this proposed legislation would default to the adopted budget language.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Conservation and Recreation; Department of General Services.

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

**11. Other Comments:** None.