## Department of Planning and Budget 2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number	HB2077		
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled

**2. Patron** Plum

**3. Committee** Conservation & Natural Resources

**4. Title** Soil and Water Conservation District boards; chairman

**5. Summary/Purpose:** This bill requires that directors of Soil and Water Conservation Districts designate a chairman from the elected members, or from the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board-appointed members, of the district board. Currently, there is no explicit requirement that the chairman be chosen from those district board members.

## 6. No Fiscal Impact

- 7. Budget amendment necessary: No
- 8. Fiscal implications: None

**9.** Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: The 46 Local Soil and Water Conservation Districts

## 10. Technical amendment necessary: No

**11. Other comments:** District Boards are comprised of directors either elected by the public, or appointed by the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board. According to an opinion from The Office of the Attorney General during calendar year 2000, the existing wording of § 10.1-530 provides that someone other than a district board member may serve as chairperson. The amendment clarifies that the position of chairperson shall be an elected or appointed member of the district board.

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