

Department of Planning and Budget 2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB650

House of Origin	<u>X</u>	Introduced	<u> </u>	Substitute	<u> </u>	Engrossed
Second House	<u> </u>	In Committee	<u> </u>	Substitute	<u> </u>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Hogan

3. Committee: Agriculture, Chesapeake, and Natural Resources

4. Title: Department of Environmental Quality; authority of citizen boards

5. Summary: The bill provides that the Air Pollution Control Board and the State Water Control Board may delegate their authority to make permitting decisions to the Director of the Department of Environmental Quality (the authority to issue permits related to waste management is already vested with the Director). Either Board has the discretion to make a final permitting decision if it finds significant public interest in the permit, substantial and disputed issues within the scope of the Board's statutory authority, and that the time required for a public hearing and decision by the Board would not create an unreasonable delay. The membership of all three citizen environmental boards would also be reconfigured so that the membership of each board—the Air Pollution Control Board, the State Water Control Board, and the Virginia Waste Management Board—includes at least one member from the other two boards.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: The bill does not have a fiscal impact.

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

8. Fiscal Implications: The bill does not have a fiscal impact because it does not change the number of citizen board members.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Natural Resources