

Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB991

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2. Patron: Nutter

3. Committee: Transportation

4. Title: Truck weights; vehicles hauling wood pellets

5. Summary: This bill exempts vehicles hauling wood pellets from weight limits, overweight permits, and permit fees.

6. Fiscal impact estimates: Preliminary.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications: The Department of Motor Vehicles does not maintain overweight vehicle data by type of load being carried. As a result, the potential revenue loss attributable to the exemption is indeterminate.

At the present time, there are no total and complete exemptions for reducible overweight loads in Virginia. Wood pellets would appear to be the type of load that is easily reducible to accommodate existing weight requirements.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of Motor Vehicles.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: Virginia has been considering replacement of its current permit fees with a pavement and bridge damage-based permit fee structure, through the efforts of the Virginia Transportation Research Council.

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