

Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB244

House of Origin X Introduced Substitute Engrossed
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Watkins

3. Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources

4. Title: **Dam Safety Act; low traffic roadways.**

5. Summary: This bill requires the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board to adopt regulations that consider the impact of downstream limited-use or private roadways with low traffic volume and low public safety risk on the determination of the hazard potential classification of an impounding structure.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill requires the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board to change the regulations on the Dam Safety Act. These regulatory changes are implemented on the local level and may impact workload and costs associated in affected localities. In addition, dam owners may experience changes in hazard potential classification of dams from these regulatory changes.

The Department of Conservation and Recreation does not anticipate any fiscal impacts as a result of this bill.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Conservation and Recreation, localities.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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