

Department of Planning and Budget 2011 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2058

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| House of Origin | <input type="checkbox"/> Introduced | <input type="checkbox"/> Substitute | <input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed |
| Second House | <input type="checkbox"/> In Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Substitute | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrolled |

2. Patron: Poindexter

3. Committee: Passed Both Houses

4. Title: Water quality reports.

5. Summary: This bill consolidates several reports on the progress in cleaning up Virginia's impaired waters into semiannual and annual reports submitted by the Secretary of Natural Resources to the legislative committees of oversight.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final.

8. Fiscal Implications: It is anticipated that this bill will not have any fiscal impact.

This bill streamlines the reporting requirements for the various reports compiled by the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) on an annual basis, into the annual reports submitted by the Secretary of Natural Resources. This bill does not eliminate any of the information currently required on the reports and all governmental bodies currently designated to receive the reports will continue to do so.

Specifically, this bill amends § 62.1-44.118, Code of Virginia, to specify that the semiannual progress report on the implementation of the Commonwealth's impaired waters clean-up plan (as described in § 62.1-44.117) is due to the General Assembly committees of oversight on May 1 and November 1 of each year. In addition, it consolidates the following reports into the previously-mentioned November 1 report:

Report: Funding needed by Soil and Water Conservation Districts for technical assistance and implementation of agricultural best management practices.

Code Authority: § 10.1-2128.1

Current Annual Due Date: October 15

Proposed Annual Due Date: November 1

Report: The impacts of nonpoint source pollution on water quality and water quality improvement.

Code Authority: § 10.1-2127 D.

Current Annual Due Date: on or before January 1

Proposed Annual Due Date: November 1

Report: The amounts and recipients of grants made from the Virginia Water Quality Improvement Fund (WQIF) and the specific and measurable pollution reduction achievements to state waters anticipated as a result of each grant award, together with the amounts of continued funding required for the coming fiscal year under all fully executed grant agreements. (Note: this report is prepared by DCR in cooperation with the Department of Environmental Quality).

Code Authority: § 10.1-2134

Current Annual Due Date: on or before January 1

Proposed Annual Due Date: November 1

DCR states that the agency will continue to supply the expertise and staffing necessary for compilation and completion of the reports submitted by the Secretary of Natural Resources. This support is already considered in the agency's workload and therefore no additional resources are necessary.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Conservation and Recreation, Department of Environmental Quality, Secretary of Natural Resources.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

Date: February 22, 2011

c: Secretary of Natural Resources