## Department of Planning and Budget 2011 Fiscal Impact Statement

Bill Number:	SB1100		
House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled
	House of Origin		House of Origin Introduced Substitute

- 2. Patron: Hanger
- 3. Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources
- **4. Title:** Water Quality Improvement Fund; nutrient offsets.
- **5. Summary:** Creates the Nutrient Offset Fund as a subfund of the Virginia Water Quality Improvement Fund to be administered by the Director of the Department of Environmental Quality for the purchase of nutrient reductions certified under the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Nutrient Credit Exchange Program. Using moneys from the subfund, the Director of the Department of Environmental Quality may enter into long-term contracts with producers of nutrient offsets to purchase such offsets. Priority shall be given to nutrient offsets produced from facilities that generate electricity from animal waste. The nutrient offsets purchased with moneys from the subfund will be available for sale to owners or operators of new or expanded facilities required to offset nutrient loads through the watershed general permit.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** There is no fiscal impact to the Department of Environmental Quality

- 8. Fiscal Implications: None
- 9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Environmental Quality

## 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

## 11. Other Comments: None

Date: 1/28/2011