## Department of Planning and Budget 2011 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	SB862		
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled

- 2. Patron: Wagner
- 3. Committee: Commerce and Labor
- **4. Title:** Commonwealth Energy Policy; local renewable energy facility siting ordinances.
- **5. Summary:** This bill requires every locality to adopt an ordinance that provides criteria to be addressed in the siting of renewable energy projects. The ordinance shall be consistent with the Commonwealth Energy Policy and provide for protection of the locality in a manner consistent with the goals of the Commonwealth to promote the generation of energy from renewable resources.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.
- 8. Fiscal Implications: The Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy, the state agency responsible for the development of the Virginia Energy Plan and the Commonwealth Energy Policy, does not anticipate a fiscal impact on the state as a result of this bill.
- **9.** Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy, localities.
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.
- **11. Other Comments:** This bill requires localities to adopt, by July 1, 21012 a renewable energy facility siting ordinance. Any costs incurred by the development and enforcement of this ordinance would be borne by the localities.

Date: January 24, 2011

c: Secretary of Commerce and Trade