

Department of Planning and Budget 2014 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB445-ER

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

2. Patron: Bulova

3. Committee: Passed Both Houses

4. Title: Administrative Process Act; standard procedures for adoption of waste load allocations.

5. Summary: Establishes minimum procedural requirements for the adoption of all waste load allocations, including public notice, public comment opportunity, a stakeholders advisory group process, agency response to comments, and a public meeting. Historically, waste load allocations were established under various procedures on a case-by-case basis. The bill requires that a comprehensive listing of all total maximum daily load waste load allocations adopted or approved by the State Water Control Board prior to July 1, 2014, be set forth in the Water Quality Management Planning Regulation (9VAC25-720). The bill also provides that any amendment prior to July 1, 2025, of the Water Quality Management Planning Regulation waste load allocations for nitrogen or phosphorus related to chlorophyll-a water quality criteria for multiple James River basin facilities shall be undertaken in accordance with the Administrative Process Act.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final, see Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: According to the Department of Environmental Quality, this bill has no State fiscal impact.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Environmental Quality.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Natural Resources