

Department of Planning and Budget 2016 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB946

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

2. Patron: Mark L. Keam

3. Committee: Committee on Transportation, Subcommittee #1

4. Title: Regulation of towing.

5. Summary: Regulation of towing. Bans the use of spotters by tow truck drivers and towing and recovery operators and requires the authorization or presence of the owner of the property from which a trespassing vehicle is being towed; the use of spotters and towing without such authorization are included as acts for which a consumer can file a complaint with the Division of Consumer Counsel at the Office of the Attorney General. The bill also includes as violations of the Virginia Consumer Protection Act prohibited acts by tow truck drivers and towing and recovery operators, violations of police towing, and violations of local ordinances regulating police towing, price, and trespass towing.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: None. See line 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: The provisions of the bill are not expected to create a cost to the State.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Attorney General and Department of Law

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments:

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