Department of Planning and Budget 2016 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number: SB765
	House of Origin
	Second House
2.	Patron: Suetterlein
3.	Committee: Passed both houses.
4.	Title: Commissioner of Highways; powers; emergency removal of snow and ice.
5.	Summary: Provides that the Commissioner of Highways has the authority to establish and use procedures as he deems necessary to ensure safe travel during an emergency or weather-related event and that procuring equipment and labor to ensure resources are available to address an emergency or weather-related event is an emergency pursuant to the Virginia Public Procurement Act.
6.	Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
7.	Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final. See Item 8.
8.	Fiscal Implications: Codifies existing procedures. This bill would allow existing procurement methods for snow and ice removal to continue as currently employed. Without this bill, certain requirements could be imposed that would complicate the procurement process, having the potential to cause some individuals and small services providers to be unavailable, potentially driving up costs as a factor of supply and demand.
9.	Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Virginia Department of Transportation.
10.	Technical Amendment Necessary: No.
11. Other Comments: None.	
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