

Department of Planning and Budget

2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1960

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

2. Patron: Hugo

3. Committee: Passed Both Houses

4. Title: Tow truck drivers and towing and recovery operators; requirements; penalties.

5. Summary: Creates a civil penalty of \$150 to be paid into the Literary Fund for any tow truck driver or towing and recovery operator convicted of improperly towing in Planning District 8 (Northern Virginia). The bill exempts tow truck drivers and towing and recovery operators in Planning District 8 from any requirement by a towing advisory board for written authorization in addition to a written contract in the event that a vehicle is being removed from private property. The bill requires that a tow truck driver in Planning District 8 immediately notify the animal control office in the locality from which the vehicle is being towed if the vehicle is occupied by a companion animal. The bill limits the membership of a local towing advisory board to only representatives of local law-enforcement agencies, representatives of licensed towing and recovery operators, and one member of the general public and requires the chairmanship of any towing advisory board within Planning District 8 to rotate annually between board members who represent a licensed towing and recovery operator, a local law-enforcement agency, and the general public.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final. See Item #8.

8. Fiscal Implications: Although this legislation could have a possible revenue impact from fines associated with additional convictions, it is impossible to determine the extent of the impact at this time. Any possible fine revenue derived from this legislation will be deposited in the Literary Fund.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Judicial system, law enforcement agencies, Office of the Attorney General

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None