Department of Planning and Budget 2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	SB1518		
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled

- 2. Patron: Lewis
- 3. Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources
- 4. Title: Recycling; beneficial use.
- **5. Summary:** Expands the scope of the recycling programs supported by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to include beneficial use, defined as the use or reuse of a material that otherwise would become solid waste in a manufacturing process or as landfill cover, aggregate substitute, fuel substitute, or fill material. The bill provides that any proposal for a certain type of local recycling grant shall be deemed to meet the eligibility requirements if it includes provisions to increase recycling for beneficial reuse through a public-private cooperative program. The bill also increases from every four years to every two years the frequency of the submission of a recycling survey report by a solid waste planning unit or locality. Finally, the bill directs DEQ to evaluate recycling rates statewide and make recommendations for increasing rates and to report on its findings by October 1, 2018.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.
- **8. Fiscal Implications:** It is anticipated that DEQ can absorb any additional workload associated with the implementing provisions of this bill within existing resources.
- **9.** Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Environmental Quality, localities.
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.
- 11. Other Comments: None.