

## **Department of Planning and Budget**

### **2017 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** SB898

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

**2. Patron:** Stuart

**3. Committee:** Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources

**4. Title:** Potomac River Watershed; Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to identify owner of any combined sewer overflow outfall, etc.

**5. Summary:** Directs DEQ to identify the owner of any combined sewer overflow outfall that discharges into the Potomac River Watershed and to determine what actions by the owner are necessary to bring the outfall into compliance with the Presumption Approach described in the Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Control Policy of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The bill requires any owner of such an outfall to bring it into compliance with the EPA policy by July 1, 2020. When the owner is a locality and it fails to meet the 2020 compliance deadline, the bill directs the Governor to withhold all state appropriations from the locality until it brings the outfall into compliance. The bill does not apply to any outfall for which a higher level of control is necessary to comply with a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL).

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** It is anticipated that any fiscal impact the bill may have on DEQ can be absorbed within existing resources.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Environmental Quality, Department of Accounts, Office of the Governor, City of Alexandria.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** SB818 and HB1423 also require DEQ to identify the owner of any combined sewer overflow outfall that discharges into the Potomac River Watershed and direct compliance with regulations.