

## Department of Planning and Budget 2024 Session Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB580

<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:** Deeds

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

**4. Title:** Department of Environmental Quality; review and authorization of projects; hearing and appeal.

**5. Summary:** Allows any person aggrieved by the final decision of the Department of Environmental Quality regarding the authorization of a project and who has participated in a proceeding for a permit to construct or operate a small renewable energy project under procedures adopted by the Department to seek judicial review of such action in accordance with the Administrative Process Act in the Circuit Court of the City of Richmond within 30 days of such decision. The bill requires the court to hear and decide such action as soon as practicable after the date of filing.

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

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See item 8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** It is anticipated that any fiscal impact on the Department of Environmental Quality as a result of this bill can be absorbed within existing resources. Any impact to the Office of the Attorney General or the Supreme Court of Virginia is indeterminate, as it is not possible to estimate the number of cases that may require judicial review.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Environmental Quality; Office of the Attorney General; Supreme Court of Virginia; Courts; Circuit Court of the City of Richmond.

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

**11. Other Comments:** This bill is similar to HB122.