Department of Planning and Budget 2025 General Assembly Session State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: HB2031 Patron: Orrock

Bill Title: Sewage disposal; alternative onsite sewage systems; elimination of report filing fee.

Bill Summary: Eliminates the \$1 filing fee required for the filing of site visit reports by licensed operators of alternative onsite sewage systems.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No Items Impacted: None

Fiscal Summary: The provisions of this legislation removes the requirement for licensed operators to pay a \$1 fee for each alternative onsite sewage system (AOSS) operation and maintenance (O&M) report submitted using the Virginia Department of Health's O&M portal. The bill also repeals the Onsite Operation and Maintenance Fund where the \$1 fee is currently deposited.

Nongeneral Fund Revenue Impact:

<u>Agency</u>	<u>FY2025</u>	<u>FY2026</u>	<u>FY2027</u>	<u>FY2028</u>	<u>FY2029</u>	FY2030
VDH		(\$14,296)	(\$14,296)	(\$14,296)	(\$14,296)	(\$14,296)
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TOTAL		(\$14,296)	(\$14,296)	(\$14,296)	(\$14,296)	(\$14,296)

Fiscal Analysis: Last year, VDH received 15,259 alternative onsite sewage system operation and maintenance reports; of which 445 are pending payment. VDH pays a 3.49 percent processor fee on the \$1 fee, resulting in approximately \$517 in processing fees for 2024. VDH collected roughly \$14,296 after fees in 2024 (15,259 - 517 - 445 = \$14,296), which is on par with a typical year's revenue from AOSS O&M reports. Elimination of the \$1 fee will reduce VDH revenue by an estimated \$14,296 per year. VDH is able to absorb these costs.

Other: None.