Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: HB2517 **Patron:** Runion
Bill Title: Land application of sewage sludge; permit exemptions.

Bill Summary: Exempts from permitting requirements for land application, marketing, and distribution of sewage sludge any land application when such land is owned and operated by an institution of higher education in the Commonwealth.

Budget Amendment Necessary: **No.** **Items Impacted:** **N/A**

Explanation: This bill involves the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), as well as higher education institutions; however, no budget action is required. See Fiscal Analysis section, below.

Fiscal Summary: It is anticipated that any costs DEQ may incur can be absorbed within existing resources. Impact to higher education institutions is indeterminate.

Fiscal Analysis: This impact statement is preliminary. It is anticipated that the Department of Environmental Quality can absorb any costs associated with the implementation of this bill. The impact from this bill to higher education institutions is indeterminate, as it depends on the number of applicable permits that may no longer be necessary as a result of the exemption in the bill.

Other: None.