

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

PUBLISHED: 2/21/2025 1:40 PM

ORIGINAL

Bill Number: SB1408ER

Patron: Reeves

Bill Title: Department of Health; waterworks; mandatory reporting of anomalies; negligence.

Bill Summary: This bill as amended requires the owner of a waterworks to report any critical equipment failure or malfunction or contaminant release to the Office as soon as practicable but no more than six hours after discovery. Additionally, requires any owner of a waterworks that is required to submit a monthly operating report to the Office of Drinking Water to include any noncritical equipment failure or malfunction that could adversely affect water quality, public health, or service continuity that occurred during the applicable reporting month and was not resolved by the reporting deadline. As amended the bill updates definitions.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

Items Impacted: None.

Fiscal Summary: Any anticipated impact is minimal and can be absorbed by the Virginia Department of Health.

Fiscal Analysis: The provisions of this legislation, as amended, would not have a fiscal impact on the Virginia Department of Health. This legislation only impacts waterworks owners. Any increase in workload to receive additional reports is anticipated to be minimal and can be handled within existing resources.

Other: None.