

**Virginia Department of Transportation
2004 Fiscal Impact Statement**

1. Bill Number: HB 429 Eng 1

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed

Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Reid, J.

3. Committee: Senate Transportation

4. Title: Relating to reflectors or reflectorized material on the rear of certain trailers: Study by Virginia Transportation Research Council

5. Summary/Purpose:

To increase the rear-end visibility of metal mesh utility trailers by requiring at least 2 reflectors or 100 sq. inches of solid reflectorized materials be applied to the end panel. The Virginia Transportation Research Council (VTRC) is directed to study whether this action reduces the number of rear end crashes involving these specific utility trailers.

6. Fiscal Impacts are unavailable

7. Budget amendment necessary: NO

8. Fiscal implications: Anticipated fiscal impacts include: costs to retrain Dept. of Motor Vehicle (DMV) and State Police (VSP) enforcement personnel, costs to conduct study, etc.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: DMV, VSP, VDOT-VTRC, Local Police Departments

10. Technical amendment necessary: NO

11. Other comments: NO

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cc: Secretary of Transportation