

**Department of Planning and Budget  
2002 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**REVISED 2 -20-02**

1. Bill Number: HB646

House of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: Suit

3. Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources

4. Title: Standards for use of coastal primary sand dunes ; exemption

5. Summary/Purpose: The bill exempts the Sandbridge Beach Subdivision from existing requirements relating to construction on coastal primary sand dunes. It provides that property owners with structures or property in clear and imminent danger from erosion and storm drainages shall be allowed to erect protective bulkheads or other equivalent structural improvements as approved by the Virginia Beach Wetlands Board. The bill also requires that the applicant consent in writing to the future reconstruction of bulkhead styling into the applicant's bulkhead from adjacent properties. These provisions shall expire on January 1, 2006.

6. Fiscal impact: See Item 8.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications: The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) has indicated to the Department of Environmental Quality and the Marine Resources Commission that passage of this legislation will necessitate a review of Virginia's Coastal Zone Management Program by NOAA. If it is determined that the change has a significant negative impact on the Commonwealth's Sand Dune Management efforts, NOAA may reallocate funds currently provided for the Marine Resources Commission's program to other coastal management programs in Virginia. However, the total funding to Virginia would remain unchanged. Through conversation with NOAA, the Marine Resources Commission estimates that any reallocation from the Marine Resources Commission to other Virginia programs may be one to two percent of the \$150,000 that the Marine Resources Commission receives through the Coastal Zone Management Program.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Marine Resources Commission, Virginia Beach Wetlands Board, and the Department of Environmental Quality.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: Bill is identical to Senate Bill 319 which was stricken in committee at the request of the patron.

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cc: Secretary of Natural Resources