

Department of Planning and Budget
2003 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB2781

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

2. Patron Dillard

3. Committee Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

4. Title Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance Department.

5. Summary/Purpose:

Authorizes the Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance Department (CBLAD) to administer the Virginia Coastal Resources Management Program. The purpose of the program is to coordinate efforts by state agencies and Tidewater localities to develop and implement coastal policies. The Department is also empowered to administer the program's annual grant award received from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

6. No Fiscal Impact

See item 8, below.

7. Budget amendment necessary:

No.

8. Fiscal implications:

There would be no significant fiscal impact to the Commonwealth associated with the provision of the bill. Currently the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) employs three FTEs, supported with federal funds, to administer the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Coastal Zone Management grant. DEQ estimates that the transfer of grants management federal delegation of authority would probably take approximately one year to receive federal approval. Thus, a transfer of appropriation and personnel from DEQ to CBLAD would not be necessary until FY2005. At that time, the budgets for CBLAD and DEQ will require amendment transferring approximately \$150,000 and three FTEs from DEQ to CBLAD. The amount of any Coastal Zone Management grant the Commonwealth may receive is unknown and may vary annually.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:

Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance Department and Department of Environmental Quality.

10. Technical amendment necessary:

No.

11. Other comments:

None.

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cc: Secretary of Natural Resources