

Department of Planning and Budget

2002 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB975 REVISED 1 -25-02

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: Pollard

3. Committee: Agriculture, Chesapeake, and Natural Resources

4. Title: Crab pot tagging program

5. Summary/Purpose: Requires the Virginia Marine Resource Commission to implement by regulation a crab pot tagging program to facilitate the enforcement and identification of crab pot licenses. Such regulation shall require that all crab pots be marked with an individual identification number and with other information as required by regulation.

6. Fiscal impact estimates are: Preliminary.

6a. Expenditure impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2001-02			
2002-03	\$174,525	2.00	0100
2003-04	\$171,850	2.00	0100

7. Budget amendment necessary: Yes, Item 397, Marine Life Management, of HB/SB30.

8. Fiscal implications: The Marine Resources Commission estimates that implementation of a crab pot tagging will require one Fisheries Management Specialist Senior position and one Fisheries Management Technician and related costs. The employees will be responsible for issuing, tracking, transferring, and replacing about 900,000 to 1 million accountable tags per year. Detailed cost estimates are:

	<i>FY2002 -03</i>	<i>FY2003 -04</i>
Personnel (salaries and fringe benefits)	\$69,525	\$75,850
Equipment (furniture, computers)	\$9,000	---
Supplies	\$4,000	\$4,000
Recurring charges (rent, phone, pool vehicles)	\$19,000	\$19,000
Travel	\$1,000	\$1,000
Tags (original, replacement, and mailing)	<u>\$72,000</u>	<u>\$72,000</u>
Total	\$174,525	\$171,850

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Marine Resources Commission.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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