

Department of Planning and Budget 2005 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2816

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: Oder

3. Committee: Agriculture, Chesapeake, and Natural Resources

4. Title: Fishing guide license

5. Summary/Purpose: The bill allows the recreational fishing license issued to a headboat and charterboat owner to cover all the passengers on his boat. Under current law, nonpaying customers on a licensed headboat or charterboat have to possess an individual saltwater recreational license. The bill also allows a headboat or charterboat owner to obtain an individual saltwater recreational license at no charge when he is issued the license for his boat.

6. Fiscal impact: Estimates are preliminary:

6b. Revenue Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2004-05	---	---
2005-06	(\$2,325)	NGF
2006-07	(\$2,325)	NGF
2007-08	(\$2,325)	NGF
2008-09	(\$2,325)	NGF
2009-10	(\$2,325)	NGF
2010-11	(\$2,325)	NGF

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications: According to the Marine Resources Commission, the number of passengers on headboats or charterboats who will no longer be required to purchase saltwater recreational fishing licenses is unknown. The revenue to the Saltwater Recreational Fishing Fund will be reduced by \$7.50 per individual.

In calendar year 2003, there were 310 charterboat licenses issued. If it is assumed that each of these licensees also purchased a recreational saltwater fishing license, then the exemption for charter or headboat owners will result in a loss of revenue to the Saltwater Recreational Fishing Fund of \$2,325 annually (as reflected in item 6b.).

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

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Natural Resources