

Department of Planning and Budget 2006 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB362

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Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron Lingamfelter

3. Committee General Laws

4. Title Composition of Board of Game and Inland Fisheries.

5. Summary/Purpose:

Increases the membership of the Board and changes the criteria for selecting members of the Board. Under current law, the 11 members of the Board are appointed by the Governor, with one member representing each congressional district. The bill removes the current members and increases the number of Board members to 13, with the Speaker of the House appointing four members, the Senate Rules Committee appointing three members, and the Governor appointing six members. The terms of the new members will initially be staggered. The bill also requires that (i) the minute books and other records of the agency be open to examination by members of the General Assembly and (ii) the appointment of the Director of the Department be subject to confirmation by the General Assembly.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are: Preliminary. See item 8, below.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No

8. Fiscal implications: Any fiscal impact is expected to be negligible and can be absorbed within current resources. Board members receive a per diem and reimbursement for meals and lodging.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of Game and Inland Fisheries

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: §2.2-2100, Code of the Virginia, defines a supervisory board as a board, commission, or council shall be classified as supervisory if it is responsible for agency operations including approval of requests for appropriations. A supervisory board, commission, or council appoints the agency director and ensures that the agency director complies with all board and statutory directives. The agency director is subordinate to the board.

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