Department of Planning and Budget 2006 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number HB870			
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled
2.	Patron Byr	ron		

- 3. Committee Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources
- **4. Title** Boating safety course.
- **5. Summary/Purpose:** Requires courts to order any person who has been convicted of violating a boating law that imposes a penalty of a Class 3 misdemeanor or greater to pass a National Association of State Boating Law Administrators approved boating safety course, accepted by the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries.
- 6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are: Preliminary. See item 8, below.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications: According to the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, the legislation is not anticipated to have a fiscal impact on the agency but may result in an increase in the number of individuals participating in boating safety courses. Any impact the legislation may have on the court system is unknown but is expected to be minimal.

Any revenue collected from the fine imposed would be deposited to the state's Literary Fund.

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

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: Operating a boat in an improper manner; disregarding a signal by a law enforcement officer to stop; some local ordinances regulating personal watercraft rentals; reckless or intoxicated operation of a watercraft or motorboat; failure of an operator of a vessel involved in a collision to stop and render assistance; failure of a secured party who holds a certificate of title as provided in Chapter 7 to surrender the certificate of title to the person to whom it is legally entitled within ten days after the security interest has been paid and satisfied; transferring title to or interest in a watercraft after the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries has issued a lien against the title; possession of a certificate of title issued by the Department to a person other than the lawful holder, unless the certificate of title has been duly assigned to the holder; operation of a boat or manipulating water skis, or a similar devise, in a reckless manner or while intoxicated; operation of a boat in an improper manner; reckless operation of a personal watercraft; and commission of perjury as it pertains to any

provision of Chapter 7 (Boating Laws) or Chapter 8 (Watercraft Dealer Licensing Act) carry a penalty of a Class 3 misdemeanor or greater.

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