

## **Department of Planning and Budget**

### **2017 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB1573

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

**2. Patron:** Helsel

**3. Committee:** Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

**4. Title:** Marine Resources Commission; licenses; revocation.

**5. Summary:** Provides that when the Marine Resources Commission (the Commission) revokes fishing privileges for a violation of the tidal fisheries law, it shall only revoke the particular type of license that is applicable to the fishery in which the violation occurred. Under current law, the Commission is authorized to revoke all of the fishing privileges a person has been granted, irrespective of the location and type of fish described in the license. The bill also reduces the maximum duration of the license revocation from five years to two years and requires the Commission to accept credit card payment of any civil penalty it assesses for fishing under a revoked license.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See Item 8 below.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The Marine Resources Commission (MRC) does not currently have the capability to accept credit card payments. Preliminarily, MRC may not be able to do the programming work for credit card payments in house. If not, start-up costs for programming and equipment are estimated to be between \$10,000 to \$20,000. Annual expenditures are estimated at \$1,000 to \$2,500 in succeeding years. MRC anticipates collecting one to two civil penalty payments or less per month.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Marine Resources Commission.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** None.