

## **Department of Planning and Budget 2018 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB995

<b>House of Origin</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input checked="" 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:** Byron

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

**4. Title:** Special license to track a wounded bear or deer with dogs.

**5. Summary:** This bill authorizes a licensed hunter to have a weapon permitted under this title in his possession, and to use it to humanely kill a wounded or dead bear, turkey or deer being tracked. As provided in the bill, such weapon shall not be used to hunt, wound, or kill any animal other than the animal that the hunter is tracking, except in self-defense. Current law prohibits a tracker from having a weapon in his possession.

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

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary, see item 8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** It is anticipated that this bill will not result in a fiscal impact to the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Game and Inland Fisheries.

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

**11. Other Comments:** None.