

## **Department of Planning and Budget**

### **2019 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB2309

<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:** Stolle

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

**4. Title:** Marine Resources Commission; grant of interest in subaqueous lands.

**5. Summary:** Authorizes the Commonwealth, acting through the Marine Resources Commission, to grant to a political subdivision of the Commonwealth an easement over, or title to, certain beds of the waters of the Commonwealth. The bill requires that the political subdivision receiving such a grant be acting in the capacity of an official nonfederal sponsor, with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, of a federally authorized civil works project and that the grant be necessary to the carrying out of such project. The bill requires that such a grant be contained in a written instrument that describes by metes and bounds the land in which the interest is granted and is executed by the Attorney General and countersigned by the Governor. Finally, the bill prohibits any political subdivision that receives a grant of a right or interest as specified in the bill from conveying that right or interest except to the Commonwealth. The bill requires the Commissioner of Marine Resources to report annually to the General Assembly about the grants that have been made during the past year.

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

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See #8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** It is anticipated that any fiscal impact on the Marine Resources Commission as a result of this bill can be absorbed within existing resources.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Marine Resources Commission; localities; Office of the Attorney General; Governor.

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

**11. Other Comments:** This bill is a companion to SB1569.