

**Department of Planning and Budget  
2019 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** SB1725S1

**House of Origin**     Introduced     Substitute     Engrossed  
**Second House**     In Committee     Substitute     Enrolled

**2. Patron:**     Stuart

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

**4. Title:**         Stationary blinds in the public waters; minimum distance from shore.

**5. Summary:** This bill provides that except in the waters of Virginia Beach, no stake or stationary waterfowl blind that is erected in the public waters be located less than 150 yards from a riparian owner's shoreline at the mean low water mark, unless the riparian owner gives written permission to locate the stake or blind closer to shore.

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

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

**8. Fiscal Implications:** It is anticipated that this bill may result in an overall negative impact on revenue, which is expected to be nominal and can be absorbed within existing resources by the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (DGIF). DGIF has indicated that this bill may have a negative impact on non-riparian and riparian stationary blind license sales, and a positive impact on float blind licenses sales.

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

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

**11. Other Comments:** None.