

Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB504

House of Origin	☐ Introduced	☐ Substitute	☒ Engrossed
Second House	☐ In Committee	☐ Substitute	☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: Hope

3. Committee: Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

4. Title: Chesapeake Bay Preservation Areas; mature trees.

5. Summary: Adds the preservation of mature trees, both as a water quality protection tool and as a means of providing other natural resource benefits, to the list of activities that the State Water Resources Board is directed to encourage and promote as it adopts criteria for local governments to use as they consider development in Chesapeake Bay Preservation Areas.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

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

8. Fiscal Implications: It is anticipated that this bill will not have a fiscal impact on the Department of Environmental Quality.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Environmental Quality; localities.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.