

## **Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** SB791

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

**2. Patron:** Lewis

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

**4. Title:** Management of the menhaden fishery.

**5. Summary:** Requires the Virginia Marine Resources Commission (MRC) to adopt regulations necessary to manage Atlantic menhaden, including those necessary to comply with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission Interstate Fishery Management Plan for Atlantic Menhaden. This bill requires that the Commissioner of MRC to establish the Menhaden Management Advisory Committee to provide guidance to MRC on the sustainable management of the menhaden resource and harvest of the bait and reduction fisheries in the waters of the Commonwealth, including the Chesapeake Bay.

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

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

**8. Fiscal Implications:** It is anticipated that any expenditure impact on MRC as a result of this bill can be absorbed within resources included in HB30/SB30 as introduced. HB30/SB30 includes general fund support of \$123,630 in each year and one position to analyze and assess fisheries under state jurisdiction and to participate and contribute to regional and coast-wide stock assessments that may influence fisheries of importance to ASMFC, such as menhaden. The anticipated expenditure impact from this measure includes initial involvement of agency staff in developing and processing regulations. On an ongoing basis, MRC anticipates using staff resources to monitor and manage the menhaden quota. The MRC anticipates that the requirement to establish a Menhaden Management Advisory Committee is expected to cost \$2,300 annually, which can be absorbed within its Fisheries Division resources.

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

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

**11. Other Comments:** This bill incorporates SB 157, SB 194, SB 357, SB 402, and SB 1054.