

## **Department of Planning and Budget 2009 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** SB1111

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

**2. Patron:**        Northam

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

**4. Title:**         Crab season in specific area

**5. Summary:** The bill authorizes the Marine Resources Commission to establish periods of time when crabs may be caught for resale in a specific location in the Chesapeake Bay. Currently it is unlawful to take or catch crabs for resale in this area from June 1 through September 15.

**6. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** The bill does not have a fiscal impact on the Marine Resources Commission.

**7. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** A violation of the closed season for crab pots is a Class 3 misdemeanor, and subject to fines. The revenue to the Literary Fund cannot be determined.

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

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

**11. Other Comments:** None.

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cc: Secretary of Natural Resources