

## Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB884

House of Origin	<u>  X  </u>	Introduced	<u>      </u>	Substitute	<u>      </u>	Engrossed
Second House	<u>      </u>	In Committee	<u>      </u>	Substitute	<u>      </u>	Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Athey

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

**4. Title:** **Animal welfare laws; Sheriffs and police chiefs authorization to designate volunteer deputies.**

**5. Summary:** This bill authorizes sheriffs and police chiefs to designate and utilize volunteer deputies to perform the duties of an animal patrol officer and provide enforcement of this chapter, all ordinances enacted pursuant to this chapter, and all laws for the protection of domestic animals.

**6. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** No fiscal impact.

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

**8. Fiscal Implications:** This bill has no fiscal impact on the Commonwealth. This bill may have a fiscal impact on localities depending on how each locality designates the enforcement of this chapter. Any fiscal impact to the locality at this point is indeterminate.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

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

**11. Other Comments:** None.

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