

Department of Planning and Budget 2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 172

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

2. Patron: Delegate Loupassi

3. Committee: Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

4. Title: Establish penalty for knowingly trespassing while carrying a firearm with the intent to hunt wild game

5. Summary: This bill prohibits hunting without permission or authority, while carrying a firearm, on land where the hunter knows a "No Trespassing" sign is posted or where the hunter should know that entry is prohibited. Conviction of such a violation would be punishable by a fine of \$500 to \$1,000, revocation of the hunter's license for one year, and ordered forfeiture of any weapon used in the violation.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary (see Section 8)

8. Fiscal Implications: As this bill is currently written, there should be no significant fiscal impact to the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries. Regarding resulting revenues, there is insufficient information available to reliably estimate the number of violations. However, any fines collected under these provisions would be deposited into the Literary Fund.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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