## Department of Planning and Budget 2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	SB26		
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled

- **2. Patron:** Stuart, R. H.
- 3. Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources
- 4. Title: Conservation police officers; clarifies authority.
- **5. Summary:** This bill clarifies that conservation police officers may not stop a person for the purpose of determining compliance with the laws, rules, and regulations of the Commonwealth or its localities without reasonable suspicion of criminal activity. The bill also repeals a section of the Code of Virginia allowing conservation police officers to inspect game and fish for the purposes of enforcing bag and creel limits without first making an arrest.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.
- **8.** Fiscal Implications: It is anticipated that this bill will not have a significant fiscal impact on the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries.
- **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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