Department of Planning and Budget 2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number: SB470
	House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed
	Second House
2.	Patron: Northam
3.	Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources
4.	Title: Combined fishing license.
5.	Summary: This bill removes references to the specific dollar amounts that each freshwate and saltwater license is sold for and provides that the cost of the combined sportfishing license shall be the sum of the two component licenses. The bill also recognizes that the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries and the Marine Resources Commission currently have the authority to independently establish the price of each of agency's license.
6.	Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
7.	Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.
8.	Fiscal Implications: It is anticipated that this bill will not have a fiscal impact on the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries or the Marine Resources Commission. Currently the cost of the combined sportfishing license provided by each agency is the sum of the two component licenses. The language established in this bill reinforces current practice. In addition, each agency is only able to adjust the fee of its component license no more than once every three years. It is expected that each agency will have sufficient nongeneral fund appropriation to cover any resulting change in revenue.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Game and Inland Fisheries; Marine Resources Commission.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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