Department of Planning and Budget 2013 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	SB1108					
	House of Origin	\boxtimes	Introduced		Substitute	\boxtimes	Engrossed
	Second House	\boxtimes	In Committee		Substitute		Enrolled
2.	Patron: H	anger,	E. W.				

- 3. Committee: Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources
- 4. Title: Illegal fishing in the Potomac River; penalty
- **5. Summary:** This bill amends the Potomac River Compact by changing the penalty for violating the fishing laws in the Potomac River from the current \$1,000 maximum penalty to a maximum penalty of \$3,000.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See #8.
- 8. Fiscal Implications: It is anticipated that this bill will not have a fiscal impact on the Marine Resources Commission. As this bill increases the maximum penalty for violations from \$1,000 to \$3,000, it is possible that there will be an increase in revenue for the courts in which the cases are prosecuted. However, because of lack of data, the amount of additional revenue is indeterminate at this time.
- **9.** Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Marine Resources Commission; state and local courts.
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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