## Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

| 1.  | Bill Number: HB1298   |
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|     | House of Origin   |
|     | Second House  |
| 2.  | Patron: Morris  |
| 3.  | Committee: Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources  |
| 4.  | Title: Noncommercial vessels; probable cause.   |
| 5.  | <b>Summary:</b> Requires conservation police officers, officers of the Virginia Marine Police, and other law-enforcement officers to have probable cause before stopping, boarding, or inspecting a noncommercial vessel on the navigable waters of the Commonwealth. The provisions shall not apply to lawful stops, boardings, or inspections conducted by conservation police officers or the Virginia Marine Police for the purposes of inspecting hunting, fishing, and trapping licenses or creel and bag limit inspections, nor shall it prohibit lawful boating safety checkpoints conducted by conservation police officers and Virginia Marine Police in accordance with established agency policy. |
| 6.  | Budget Amendment Necessary: No.   |
| 7.  | Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See Item 8, below.  |
| 8.  | <b>Fiscal Implications:</b> It is anticipated that any expenditure impact to the Marine Resources Commission can be absorbed with existing resources.   |
| 9.  | Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Marine Resources Commission.  |
| 10. | Technical Amendment Necessary: No.  |

11. Other Comments: None.