

## Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB2386

**House of Origin**    ☒ Introduced    ☐ Substitute    ☐ Engrossed  
**Second House**    ☐ In Committee    ☐ Substitute    ☐ Enrolled

**2. Patron:**    Bloxom

**3. Committee:** Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

**4. Title:**    Nonresident commercial harvester's license.

**5. Summary:** Increases the fee range for the nonresident commercial harvester's license from the current range of not less than \$350 or more than \$1,150 to not less than \$600 or more than \$1,400. The Marine Resources Commission establishes the fee from this range.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:**

**7a. Expenditure Impact:** Preliminary. See Item 8, below.

**7b. Revenue Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2015		
2016	\$21,060	Marine Fishing Improvement Fund (0245)
2017	\$21,060	Marine Fishing Improvement Fund (0245)
2018	\$21,060	Marine Fishing Improvement Fund (0245)
2019	\$21,060	Marine Fishing Improvement Fund (0245)
2020	\$21,060	Marine Fishing Improvement Fund (0245)
2021	\$21,060	Marine Fishing Improvement Fund (0245)

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The above reflects the bill's anticipated impact to the Marine Resources Commission (MRC) related to the increase in the fee range for the nonresident commercial harvester's license.

This bill would increase the minimum cost of a nonresident commercial harvester's license to not less than \$600 and no greater than \$1400, raising the minimum and maximum cost by \$250.

The current license fee for a nonresident commercial harvester's license is \$444. Of this amount, \$350 is deposited into the Virginia Marine Products Fund administered by the Marine Products Board in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the remainder is deposited into MRC's Marine Fishing Improvement Fund.

This bill would raise the license fee for a nonresident commercial harvester's license from \$444 to \$600, an increase of \$156 per license. The projected revenue is based on an increase of \$156 per license multiplied by the number of licenses (135) that were sold in calendar year 2014 for a projected annual total of \$21,060 to be deposited into MRC's Marine Fishing Improvement Fund.

It is anticipated any expenditure impact to the Marine Resources Commission can be absorbed with existing resources. A budget amendment is not necessary.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Marine Resources Commission.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** HB2392 eliminates further sales of special nonresident harvester's licenses for species under any fishery management plan in Virginia, or a management plan mandated on Virginia by a state or federal compact.