

Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB1284

House of Origin	X	Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Hanger

3. Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources

4. Title: Replacement of tributary strategies.

5. Summary: Replaces the tributary strategies for cleaning up the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries, which were last prepared in 2003-2004, with the Water Implementation Plans (WIPs) developed pursuant to the Chesapeake Bay total maximum daily load (TMDL). The bill authorizes the Secretary of Natural Resources to oversee the development and implementation of the WIPs.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

8. Fiscal Implications: The bill requires that the Secretary of Natural Resources coordinate the development of Watershed Implementation Plans. The Secretary's office will work with the Department of Environmental Quality, the Department of Conservation and Recreation, and other state agencies to develop the plan. There have already been other similar plans prepared, and according to the Secretary's office, it is anticipated that state expenditures can be absorbed within existing resources.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: The Secretary of Natural Resources, the Department of Environmental Quality, and the Department of Conservation and Recreation.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Natural Resources