

Department of Planning and Budget 2016 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB813

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	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: Knight

3. Committee: Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

4. Title: Offshore waters and submerged lands; Commonwealth jurisdiction to three miles; survey.

5. Summary: Updates the description of the offshore waters over which the Commonwealth has jurisdiction. In place of a reference to certain seas claimed in the Virginia Constitution of 1776, the bill provides for jurisdiction over offshore waters for a distance of three geographical miles as determined by metes and bounds surveys approved by the Virginia Institute of Marine Science and the Marine Resources Commission. This bill also directs the Secretary of Natural Resources to execute the metes and bounds surveys and to request that the Attorney General file the surveys in the United States Supreme Court to fix the three-mile boundary.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See Item 8, below.

8. Fiscal Implications: The Habitat Management Division in the Marine Resources Commission is responsible for surveying and mapping the Commonwealth's subaqueous ground. It is anticipated that any expenditure impact to the Marine Resources Commission can be absorbed with existing resources.

It is anticipated that this bill will not result in a fiscal impact to the Virginia Institute of Marine Science.

It is anticipated that this bill will not result in a fiscal impact to the Office of the Secretary of Natural Resources.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Marine Resources Commission; Virginia Institute of Marine Science; The Secretary of Natural Resources.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.