

Department of Planning and Budget 2016 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB958

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: Keam

3. Committee: Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

4. Title: Cruelty to animals; drowning.

5. Summary: This bill includes the drowning of an animal as an act of cruelty subject to the criminal penalties of the cruelty statute in the animal care laws. The provisions of the bill would not apply to a person who has been issued a trapping permit to use a completely submerged body-gripping trap by the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries. The bill also makes technical amendments.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

8. Fiscal Implications: It is anticipated that this bill will not have a fiscal impact on the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services or the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; Department of Game and Inland Fisheries.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.