

Department of Planning and Budget 2019 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB1932

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

2. **Patron:** Ware

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

4. **Title:** Permit fees; mineral mining.

5. **Summary:** Increases from \$16 per acre to \$20 per disturbed acre beginning July 1, 2019, and increases to \$24 per disturbed acre beginning July 1, 2020, the fee a mining operator must pay when applying for a mining operation permit renewal.

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

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See Item 8.

Revenue Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2019	\$0	n/a
2020	\$150,000	NGF
2021	\$150,000	NGF
2022	\$150,000	NGF
2023	\$150,000	NGF
2024	\$150,000	NGF
2025	\$150,000	NGF

8. **Fiscal Implications:** The Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy (DMME) administers health and safety, and surface mining reclamation regulatory programs for all non-coal mineral mining operations. It is anticipated that this bill will have an annual revenue impact of \$150,000 based on approximately 40,000 disturbed acres annually. The increase in mineral mining fees will support the mineral mining program's administrative costs for the program. Mineral mining permit fees have not changed since 2003. It is anticipated that the agency has sufficient nongeneral fund appropriation to expend the additional revenue and a budget amendment is not necessary.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy.

10. **Technical Amendment Necessary:** Lines 23 and 24 need to be reformatted.

11. **Other Comments:** None.