Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	SB1054		
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled

- **2. Patron:** Stuart
- 3. Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources
- **4. Title:** Management of the menhaden fishery.
- **5. Summary:** Requires the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to adopt regulations necessary to manage Atlantic menhaden, including those necessary to comply with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission Interstate Fishery Management Plan for Atlantic Menhaden. The bill repeals several provisions relating to quotas, allocation of allowable landings, and administrative procedures that will be included in a regulatory framework for managing the fishery. The bill also provides that for the 2020 harvest season, the total allowable landings for menhaden shall be 168,213.16 metric tons, and the annual menhaden harvest cap for the purse seine fishery for Atlantic menhaden in the Chesapeake Bay shall be 51,000 metric tons.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See item 8, below.
- 8. Fiscal Implications: It is anticipated that any expenditure impact on the Marine Resources Commission as a result of this bill can be absorbed within resources included in HB30/SB30 as introduced. HB30/SB30 includes general fund support of \$123,630 in each year and one position to analyze and assess fisheries under state jurisdiction and to participate and contribute to regional and coast-wide stock assessments that may influence fisheries of importance to ASMFC, such as menhaden. The anticipated expenditure impact from this measure includes initial involvement of agency staff in developing and processing regulations. On an ongoing basis, MRC anticipates using staff resources to monitor and manage the menhaden quota.
- 9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Marine Resources Commission.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: This bill is similar to HB448 and HB1448. This bill provides that for the 2020 harvest season, the total allowable landings for menhaden shall be 168,213.16 metric

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