

Department of Planning and Budget

2023 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1807

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: Bloxom

3. Committee: Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

4. Title: State agency compliance with flood plain management regulations.

5. Summary: Directs the Department of Conservation and Recreation, no later than September 30, 2023, and in cooperation with numerous Secretariats and the Special Assistant to the Governor for Coastal Adaptation and Protection, to establish standards for development in a flood plain for all state agencies and departments. Such standards shall require at least compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program and shall require that any development undertaken by an agency or department on state-owned land located in a Special Flood Hazard Area be protected or flood-proofed against flooding and flood damage. The bill also requires any state agency or department, when developing a facility on state-owned property located in a flood plain, to either adhere to all flood plain management regulations or receive Department approval of compliance with the applicable state standard for development in a flood plain. Such agency or department shall document to the Department of General Services its compliance with the relevant standard. The bill allows the Department of General Services to issue a variance if no feasible alternative to developing a facility in the flood plain exists and if one of several other conditions provided in the bill is met.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

8. Fiscal Implications: It is anticipated that the Department of Conservation and Recreation and the Department of General Services can implement the provisions of this bill within current resources. Any fiscal impact on state agencies is unknown.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Conservation and Recreation; Department of General Services; Secretaries of Administration, Agriculture and Forestry, Commerce and Trade, Education, Health and Human Resources, Natural Resources, Public Safety and Homeland Security, and Transportation; Special Assistant to the Governor for Coastal Adaptation; Chief Resilience Officer; and all state agencies.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: SB1392 is identical to this bill.