

## Department of Planning and Budget 2023 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB1381

**House of Origin**     Introduced     Substitute     Engrossed  
**Second House**     In Committee     Substitute     Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Anderson

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

4. **Title:** Marine Resources Commission; regulations for the management of menhaden.

5. **Summary:** Removes the restriction preventing the Marine Resources Commission from adopting regulations for the management of menhaden outside of the time period between October 1 and December 31.

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

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

8. **Fiscal Implications:** The Marine Resources Commission (MRC) anticipates that the fiscal impact that results from this bill, in isolation, can be absorbed within existing resources in the Commission's Fisheries Management division.

Menhaden Management Advisory Committee (MMAC) members are reimbursed for attending meetings at \$0.655 per mile of travel. Currently, the MMAC meets two times a year. This bill removes restrictions on meeting dates. MRC anticipates that the number of meetings will increase by at least two as a result of this bill, increasing mileage reimbursement costs by approximately \$1,734 per year. These costs are currently supported by general fund appropriation.

MRC also anticipates that an increase in the number of meetings may result in additional staff time to perform the necessary, regulatory, evaluation, and analysis associated with increased meetings.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Marine Resources Commission

10. **Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

11. **Other Comments:** None.