

Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB1201

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

2. Patron: Wagner

3. Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources

4. Title: Stormwater; municipal separate storm sewer system permittees; dredging.

5. Summary: Directs the State Water Control Board (the Board) to establish a procedure for the approval of dredging operations in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed by a locality that is a municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) permittee as a method by which the permittee may meet its pollutant reduction and loading requirements. The bill provides that before the Board is required to establish the procedure, the Chesapeake Bay Program shall first approve the procedure as a creditable practice for pollutant removal under the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Model. The bill also requires that any dredging take place in a navigable waterway within the boundaries of the locality and comply with all applicable laws.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

8. Fiscal Implications: According to information received from the Department of Environmental Quality, any fiscal impact could be absorbed within existing resources.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: the Department of Environmental Quality and localities.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

Date: 01/28/2015 /jlm

cc: Secretary of Natural Resources