

Department of Planning and Budget 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1112

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Cordoza

3. Committee: Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

4. Title: Department of Motor Vehicles; fishing licenses.

5. Summary: This bill requires the Department of Motor Vehicle to issue fishing licenses both by its website and in customer service centers.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

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

8. Fiscal Implications: Virginia Code § 46.2-205.2 currently authorizes the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to enter agreements with other agencies to conduct customer service transactions. The Department of Wildlife Resources (DWR) and DMV executed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) authorizing DMV to process these transactions, and in January 2012, DMV began selling hunting and fishing licenses for the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (now DWR) and allowing customers to submit boat title and registration applications at DMV offices. To date, more than 38,000 hunting and fishing licenses have been sold at DMV and 88,000 boat registrations have been forwarded to DWR.

HB 1112 would add a new section to the Code of Virginia requiring (rather than allowing) DMV to issue fishing licenses both by its website and in customer service centers. DMV does not currently sell fishing licenses on its website. Online transactions are already available on the DWR website.

No fiscal impact is anticipated from implementing this bill on DMV, as DMV expects to direct all inquiries for online access to fishing licenses to the Department of Wildlife Resources website. Online fishing license applications will not be processed through the DMV website and no fees will be collected by DMV.

The Department of Wildlife Resources anticipates an indeterminate nongeneral fund revenue reduction as a result of this bill. The bill provides for licenses to be sold via DMV at a lower price than those that are directly available through DWR as established by statute. Any revenue impact will depend on the number of customers who purchase discounted versions of the multi-year licenses. Based on the number of licenses that are historically sold through DMV, license revenue may be reduced by \$10,000 per year. However, the lower price is anticipated by DWR to become an incentive to customers who would otherwise buy multi-

year fishing licenses through all other purchase options and locations.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Motor Vehicles, Department of Wildlife Resources.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: In addition to DMV, DWR has authorized other agents to sell fishing and hunting licenses at a variety of retail business locations. Information about where to find an agent selling DWR licenses is available on the DWR website.