

**Department of Legislative Services**  
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**FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE**  
**First Reader**

House Bill 129 (Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee)(By  
Request - Departmental - Natural Resources)

Environment and Transportation

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**BayStat Program and BayStat Subcabinet - Renaming**

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This departmental bill renames the BayStat Program and the Baystat Subcabinet as the BayTrack Program and the Bay Cabinet, respectively. The bill may not be construed to have any effect on the purpose or function of the BayStat Program or BayStat Subcabinet.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The bill is technical in nature.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** The Department of Natural Resources has determined that this bill has minimal or no impact on small business (attached). The Department of Legislative Services concurs with this assessment.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law/Background:** The BayStat Program is responsible for (1) measuring and evaluating efforts to restore the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays and (2) administering the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund, which provides financial assistance for nonpoint source pollution control projects across the State. The BayStat Subcabinet – consisting of the Secretaries of Natural Resources, the Environment, Planning, and Agriculture; the President of the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science; the Dean of the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources at the University of Maryland, College Park Campus; and the chair of the

Critical Area Commission – oversees the administration of the BayStat Program and develops annual work and expenditure plans for the 2010 Trust Fund.

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### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** None.

**Information Source(s):** Department of Natural Resources; Department of Legislative Services

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## ANALYSIS OF ECONOMIC IMPACT ON SMALL BUSINESSES

TITLE OF BILL: BayStat Program and BayStat Subcabinet – Names

BILL NUMBER: HB 129

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### PART A. ECONOMIC IMPACT RATING

This agency estimates that the proposed bill:

  X   WILL HAVE MINIMAL OR NO ECONOMIC IMPACT ON MARYLAND SMALL  
BUSINESS

OR

       WILL HAVE MEANINGFUL ECONOMIC IMPACT ON MARYLAND SMALL  
BUSINESSES

### PART B. ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS