

## Menhaden Legislation for year 2020 as of 1/11/2020

### SENATE:

#### [SB 157 Menhaden; Bill DeSteph, VMRC to adopt regulations for managing the Commonwealth's fishery](#)

**Management of the menhaden fishery.** Requires the Virginia Marine Resources Commission (the Commission) to adopt regulations to implement the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's Interstate Fishery Management Plan for Atlantic Menhaden and authorizes the Commission to adopt regulations for managing the Commonwealth's menhaden fishery. The bill also requires that any moratorium on the fishery be subject to legislative review. The bill repeals several Code sections relating to quotas, allocation of allowable landings, and administrative procedures that will be included in a regulatory framework for managing the fishery.

**Same as SB 194 & HB 79**

#### [SB 158 Menhaden fishing; Bill DeSteph, prohibited in Chesapeake Bay](#)

**Menhaden fishing in Chesapeake Bay prohibited.** Prohibits catching menhaden with purse nets in the territorial waters of the Commonwealth lying west or within three miles of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel.

#### [SB 194 Menhaden; John Cosgrove, VMRC to adopt regulations for managing the Commonwealth's fishery](#)

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**Same as SB 157 & HB 79**

## [SB 222 Menhaden; Bill DeSteph, harvest after closure of fishery, penalty](#)

**Harvest of menhaden after closure of fishery; penalty.** Increases from a Class 1 misdemeanor to a Class 6 felony the penalty for harvesting menhaden for bait or reduction purposes after the portion of the total allowable landings for the sector in which that person holds a license has been closed.

## [SB 357; John Cosgrove, Management of the menhaden fishery](#)

**Management of the menhaden fishery.** Directs the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to adopt regulations to implement the Interstate Fishery Management Plan for Atlantic Menhaden and requires that any moratorium on the fishery be subject to legislative review.

## [SB 402 Menhaden fishery; Ghazala Hashmi, allowable harvest; violation](#)

**Menhaden fishery; allowable harvest; violation.** Directs the Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC) to adopt regulations to implement the Interstate Fishery Management Plan for Atlantic Menhaden. The bill directs the Commissioner of VMRC (the Commissioner) to annually set total allowable landings for menhaden in accordance with the Virginia allocation of the total allowable catch as determined by the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission. The bill also directs the Commissioner to revoke the license of any person who violates their allowable harvest limit. The bill contains technical amendments.

## [SB 791; Lynwood Lewis, Management of the menhaden fishery](#)

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**Same as HB 448 and HB 1448**

## HOUSE:

### [HB 79 Menhaden; Barry Knight, VMRC to adopt regulations for managing the Commonwealth's fishery](#)

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**Same as SB157 and SB194**

### [HB 448 Menhaden; Nancy Guy, management of the fishery](#)

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**Same as HB 1448 and SB 791**

### [HB 1448; Ken Plum, Management of the menhaden fishery](#)

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