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BY: Senator Hershey

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 448  
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 4, after “sanctuaries;” insert “requiring the Department of Natural Resources to establish coordinates for certain oyster sanctuaries after consultation with and consensus from certain organizations; requiring the Department to ensure that certain oyster sanctuaries advance certain goals and objectives;”; and in lines 6 and 7, strike “of Natural Resources”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, strike beginning with “**THERE**” in line 3 down through “**(3)**” in line 10.

On pages 3 and 4, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 19 on page 3 through line 4 on page 4, inclusive, and substitute “**(3) (I) THERE IS AN OYSTER SANCTUARY IN THE:**

- 1. LITTLE CHOPTANK RIVER;**
- 2. ST. MARY’S RIVER; AND**
- 3. MANOKIN RIVER.**

**(II) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH THE COORDINATES FOR THE OYSTER SANCTUARIES IN SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH AFTER CONSULTATION WITH AND CONSENSUS FROM THE:**

- 1. OYSTER ADVISORY COMMISSION;**

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- ADMINISTRATION;
2. NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC
  3. U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS; AND
  4. OYSTER FUTURES WORKGROUP.

(iii) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ENSURE THAT THE OYSTER SANCTUARIES ESTABLISHED BY THE PROCESS UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (ii) OF THIS PARAGRAPH ADVANCE THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAM AND THE 2014 CHESAPEAKE BAY WATERSHED AGREEMENT, RESTORE THE NATIVE OYSTER HABITAT AND POPULATION, AND ENHANCE THE OYSTER RESOURCE INDUSTRY.”.