SENATE BILL 484

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By: Senators Dyson, Astle, Colburn, Conway, Jacobs, Madaleno, Manno, Pinsky, Pipkin, and Simonaire

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Income Tax Credit - Oyster Shell Recycling

FOR the purpose of allowing an individual or corporation a credit against the State income tax for each bushel of oyster shells recycled during the taxable year; requiring an individual or corporation that claims the credit to provide verification of the amount of oyster shells recycled; providing that the credit may not exceed a certain amount; providing that the credit may not be carried forward to another taxable year; requiring the Department of Natural Resources and the Comptroller jointly to adopt certain regulations; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an income tax credit for oyster shell recycling.

- 12 BY adding to
- 13 Article Tax General
- 14 Section 10–724.1
- 15 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 16 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)
- 17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 18 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

19 Article - Tax - General

20 **10–724.1.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1	(A)	(1)	SUBJECT	TO	THE	LIMITATI	ONS	OF	THIS	SECTION,	AN
2	INDIVIDUA	L OR	A CORPORA	ATIO	N MAY	CLAIM A	CRE	DIT	AGAIN	ST THE ST	ATE
3	INCOME TA	X IN A	AN AMOUNT	EQU	AL TO	\$1 FOR EA	CH B	USHE	EL OF C	YSTER SHE	ELLS
4	RECYCLED	DURI	NG THE TAX	ABLI	E YEAR						

- 5 (2) AN INDIVIDUAL OR A CORPORATION THAT CLAIMS THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL PROVIDE VERIFICATION OF THE AMOUNT OF OYSTER SHELLS RECYCLED DURING THE TAXABLE YEAR WITH THE INDIVIDUAL OR CORPORATION TAX RETURN.
- 9 **(B) (1)** FOR ANY TAXABLE YEAR, THE CREDIT ALLOWED UNDER THIS 10 SECTION MAY NOT EXCEED THE LESSER OF:
- 11 (I) 1. \$750 FOR A BUSINESS; AND
- 12 **2.** \$100 FOR AN INDIVIDUAL; OR
- 13 (II) THE STATE INCOME TAX CALCULATED BEFORE 14 APPLICATION OF THE CREDIT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SECTION AND §§ 10–701 15 AND 10–701.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE.
- 16 (2) THE UNUSED AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT MAY NOT BE CARRIED 17 OVER TO ANY OTHER TAXABLE YEAR.
- 18 (C) (1) THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE 19 COMPTROLLER JOINTLY SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THE 20 PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.
- 21 (2) THE REGULATIONS SHALL ESTABLISH ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA 22 AND PROVIDE FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF BUSINESSES, LANDFILLS, AND 23 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS TO VERIFY THE AMOUNT OF OYSTER SHELLS 24 RECYCLED BY EACH INDIVIDUAL OR CORPORATION.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2013, and shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012.