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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Natural Resources - Authority Over Abandoned Vessels - ~~Prohibiting~~ Delegation to Local**  
3 **Jurisdictions**

4 FOR the purpose of ~~prohibiting limiting the authority of~~ the Department of Natural  
5 Resources ~~from delegating to delegate~~ to a local jurisdiction the Department's  
6 authority over abandoned vessels to cases where the local jurisdiction consents to  
7 the delegation; and generally relating to abandoned vessels.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article - Natural Resources  
10 Section 8-721(h)  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (1990 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
14 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

15 **Article - Natural Resources**

16 8-721.

17 (h) The Department may ~~NOT~~ delegate the Department's authority to remove and  
18 dispose of abandoned vessels under this section to any local jurisdiction THAT CONSENTS  
19 TO THE DELEGATION.

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
21 October 1, 1997.

