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CHAPTER ____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Natural Resources - New Fishery Management Plans for Certain Varieties of Fish**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Natural Resources to prepare fishery
4 management plans for tautog, black sea bass, and scup; and generally relating to the
5 preparation of fishery management plans for certain fish.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Article - Natural Resources
8 Section 4-215(b)
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (1989 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

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

13 **Article - Natural Resources**

14 4-215.

15 (b) The Department shall prepare fishery management plans for the following
16 species:

17 (1) Striped bass or rockfish;

18 (2) White perch;

19 (3) Yellow perch;

20 (4) American shad;

21 (5) Hickory shad;

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- 1 (6) Oysters;
- 2 (7) Blue crabs;
- 3 (8) Bluefish;
- 4 (9) Herring;
- 5 (10) Weakfish;
- 6 (11) Croaker;
- 7 (12) Spot;
- 8 (13) Summer flounder;
- 9 (14) American eel;
- 10 (15) Red drum;
- 11 (16) Black drum;
- 12 (17) Spotted sea trout;
- 13 (18) Horseshoe crabs; [and]
- 14 (19) Menhaden[.];
- 15 (20) TAUTOG;
- 16 (21) BLACK SEA BASS; AND
- 17 (22) SCUP.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
19 July 1, 1997.