

BY: Conference Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 679

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 26, after “tributaries;” insert “establishing certain limits for crabbing in the waters of the coastal bays of the Atlantic Ocean;”.

On page 2, in line 13, after “for” insert “a delayed effective date and”; and in line 24, strike “and 4-805” and substitute “4-805, and 4-806”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 21, strike “OWNS OR OPERATES” and substitute “OWNED OR OPERATED”.

On page 11, in line 18, strike the brackets; and in the same line, strike “MARCH 31”.

On page 14, strike beginning with “WHO” in line 11 down through “LICENSE” in line 12; in line 26, strike “MUST BE”; and in line 34, strike “AND”.

On page 15, in line 3, after “CORRECT” insert “; AND”

(IV) COPIES OF APPROPRIATE INCOME TAX FORMS DOCUMENTING THE PERMITTEE’S COMPENSATED EMPLOYMENT IN THE PRESENCE OF A TIDAL LICENSEE”;

in line 5, strike the second “A” and substitute “AN 8-HOUR”; in line 7, strike “WHICH SHALL BE AT LEAST 8 HOURS”; in line 15, strike “REQUIRED OF” and substitute “FOR”; and in line 24, strike “AND HARVEST”.

On page 16, in line 3, strike “OR”; and in line 5, after “RINGS” insert “; OR”

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(3) USES NO MORE THAN 10 EEL POTS FOR CATCHING THE INDIVIDUAL'S OWN BAIT".

On page 17, in line 24, after "FOR" insert "PEELER CRABS AND"; in line 26, strike "THREE" and substitute "3"; and in line 28, strike "ONE" and substitute "1".

On page 18, after line 20, insert:

"4-806.

(A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBTITLE 7 OF THIS TITLE, AN INDIVIDUAL WHO ATTEMPTS TO CATCH OR CATCHES CRABS IN THE WATERS OF THE COASTAL BAYS OF THE ATLANTIC OCEAN AND THEIR TRIBUTARIES MAY NOT:

(1) CATCH OR POSSESS MORE THAN 1 BUSHEL PER DAY;

(2) USE MORE THAN 600 FEET OF TROTLINE;

(3) USE MORE THAN 10 COLLAPSIBLE CRAB TRAPS OR NET RINGS; OR

(4) USE MORE THAN 2 CRAB POTS FROM THE SHORE ADJACENT TO PRIVATE PROPERTY.

(B) AN INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION MAY USE DIP NETS AND AN UNLIMITED NUMBER OF HANDLINES TO CATCH CRABS."

On page 19, in line 28, after "piers." insert "The report shall also include a survey of noncommercial crabbing licensees, including the number of individuals who were issued noncommercial crabbing licenses during the time period covered by the report and the amount of license fees collected by the Department.";

in line 39, strike "December 31, 1998" and substitute "January 1, 1999"; and in line 41, strike "10" and substitute "11".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 18, before line 21, insert:

“SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

4-701.1.

(G) (4) (I) AN APPLICANT FOR AN APPRENTICESHIP PERMIT MAY BEGIN TO COMPLETE THE REQUIREMENTS OF PARAGRAPHS (1), (2), AND (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, IF THE APPLICANT POSTS THE FEE FOR THE APPRENTICESHIP PERMIT.

(II) THIS PARAGRAPH DOES NOT ALTER AN APPLICANT’S POSITION ON THE WAITING LIST ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBSECTION (E)(3) OF THIS SECTION.

(III) AN APPLICANT SHALL BE ISSUED AN APPRENTICESHIP PERMIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (E)(4) OF THIS SECTION.

(IV) AN APPLICANT MAY BE CREDITED WITH THE COMPLETED REQUIREMENTS THAT WERE ACCRUED AND DOCUMENTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION BEFORE BEING ISSUED AN APPRENTICESHIP PERMIT.”.

On page 19, after line 44, insert:

“SECTION 14. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 4 of this Act shall take effect June 1, 1998. It shall remain effective until December 31, 2000, and, at the end of December 31, 2000, with no further action required by the General Assembly, Section 4 shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect. After the termination of Section 4 of this Act, a person may continue to be credited with practical experience accrued in accordance with the provisions of § 4-701.1(g) of the Natural Resources Article as enacted by Section 2 of this Act who had begun to complete the requirements of the apprenticeship program under Section 4 of this Act.”.

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On page 18, in lines 21, 23, and 31, strike “4.”, “5.”, and “6.”, respectively, and substitute “5.”, “6.”, and “7.”, respectively.

On page 19, in lines 1, 9, 16, 20, 38, and 43, strike “7.”, “8.”, “9.”, “10.”, “11.”, and “12.”, respectively, and substitute “8.”, “9.”, “10.”, “11.”, “12.”, and “13.”, respectively; in line 38, strike “10” and substitute “11”; in line 43, strike “4.”; and in line 44, strike “and 9” and substitute “9, and 10”.