

SENATE BILL 717

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By: **Senator Ruben**

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Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Potomac River - Water Removal**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Maryland Department of the Environment from
4 issuing a permit to construct, reconstruct, or change certain devices, structures,
5 or apparatus that facilitate the removal of water from off shore of the Potomac
6 River; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to water removal
7 from the Potomac River.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article - Environment
10 Section 5-504
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

15 **Article - Environment**

16 5-504.

17 (A) (1) A person shall obtain a permit from the Department to construct,
18 reconstruct, change, or make an addition to any conduit, pipeline, wire cable, trestle,
19 or other device, structure, or apparatus in, under, through, or over the bed or waters
20 of the Potomac River.

21 (2) The permit is obtained upon written application to the Department.
22 Obtaining, using, and holding this permit is subject severally to the provisions
23 concerning permits found elsewhere in this subtitle.

24 (B) THE DEPARTMENT MAY NOT ISSUE A PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT,
25 RECONSTRUCT, CHANGE, OR MAKE AN ADDITION TO ANY CONDUIT, INTAKE PIPE,
26 WIRE CABLE, TRESTLE, OR OTHER DEVICE, STRUCTURE, OR APPARATUS THAT WILL
27 FACILITATE THE REMOVAL OF WATER FROM OFF SHORE OF THE POTOMAC RIVER.

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2 October 1, 1998.