

SENATE BILL 787

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ENROLLED BILL

-- *Economic and Environmental Affairs/Environmental Matters* --

Introduced by **Senator Jacobs**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this
____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, ____ M.

President.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Harford County - Bush River - Pound Nets and Fyke Nets**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from setting a fyke net in the Bush River
4 within a certain distance of another fyke net or pound net with a certain
5 exception; authorizing an owner, a tenant, or a lessee of certain property to
6 maintain a single fyke net within a certain distanced of a certain other fyke net
7 or pound net; and generally relating to pound nets and fyke nets in the Bush
8 River in Harford County.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article - Natural Resources
11 Section 4-721(c)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

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Article - Natural Resources

2 4-721.

3 (c) (1) A person may not fish a pound net in any part of the Gunpowder and
4 Bush rivers lying in Harford County further than 1,500 feet from the shoreline of the
5 Gunpowder River below Maxwell Point at mean low water tide and 750 feet from the
6 shoreline of the Bush River at mean low water tide.

7 (2) (I) EXCEPT WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE ABERDEEN
8 PROVING GROUNDS, A PERSON MAY NOT SET A FYKE NET IN THE BUSH RIVER
9 WITHIN 300 FEET OF ANOTHER FYKE NET OR 750 FEET OF A POUND NET, MEASURED
10 AT RIGHT ANGLES TO EXISTING NETS OR LINE OF NETS FOR ENFORCEMENT
11 PURPOSES.

12 (II) AN OWNER, TENANT, OR LESSEE OF THE RIPARIAN RIGHTS OF
13 ANY OF THE RIPARIAN RIGHTS PROPERTY BORDERING THE BUSH RIVER MAY
14 MAINTAIN A SINGLE FYKE NET THAT IS CLOSER THAN 300 FEET TO ANOTHER FYKE
15 NET OR POUND NET SET IN FRONT OF AN ADJACENT PROPERTY.

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
17 June 1, 1999.