

BY: Economic and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 514

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 4, after “who” insert “uses certain gear to”; in the same line, strike “catches” and “possesses”, respectively, and substitute “catch” and “possess”, respectively; in line 9, strike “exempted” and substitute “unlicensed”; and in line 26, after “repealing” insert “and reenacting, with amendments,”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 12, strike “EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION,” and substitute “(1)”; and in line 15, after “LICENSE” insert “IF THE INDIVIDUAL USES:

(I) A TROTLINE;

(II) MORE THAN 5 COLLAPSIBLE TRAPS OR NET RINGS; OR

(III) MORE THAN A COMBINATION OF 5 COLLAPSIBLE TRAPS AND NET RINGS”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, after line 15, insert:

“(2) (I) AN INDIVIDUAL IS NOT REQUIRED TO OBTAIN A RECREATIONAL CRABBING LICENSE IF THE INDIVIDUAL USES:

1. A HANDLINE;

2. A DIPNET;

(Over)

3. A SEINE;
4. NOT MORE THAN 5 COLLAPSIBLE TRAPS OR NET RINGS; OR
5. NOT MORE THAN A COMBINATION OF 5 COLLAPSIBLE TRAPS AND NET RINGS.

(II) AN OWNER OF PRIVATE SHORELINE PROPERTY OR GUESTS OF AN OWNER OF PRIVATE SHORELINE PROPERTY ARE NOT REQUIRED TO OBTAIN A RECREATIONAL CRABBING LICENSE TO CATCH CRABS FROM THE PROPERTY FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, in line 32, strike “OF RECREATIONAL CRABBING”.

On pages 3 and 4, strike beginning with “AN” in line 33 on page 3 down through “(F)” in line 3 on page 4.

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 4, in line 5, strike “OR AN INDIVIDUAL EXEMPTED UNDER SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION”; in line 6, after “CATCH” insert “OR POSSESS”; in the same line, after “CRABS” insert “OR MORE THAN 1 DOZEN PEELERS OR SOFT CRABS OR A COMBINATION OF 1 DOZEN PEELERS AND SOFT CRABS”; in line 7, after “INDIVIDUALS” insert “LICENSED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION”; strike beginning with “ARE” in line 7 down through “SECTION” in line 9; in line 10, after “CRABS” insert “OR MORE THAN 2 DOZEN PEELERS OR SOFT CRABS OR A COMBINATION OF NOT MORE THAN 2 DOZEN PEELERS AND SOFT CRABS”; and in the same line, after “TAKEN” insert “OR POSSESSED”.

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 4, after line 10, insert:

“(III) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS NOT REQUIRED TO OBTAIN A RECREATIONAL CRABBING LICENSE UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION MAY NOT CATCH OR POSSESS MORE THAN 2 DOZEN HARD CRABS OR MORE THAN 1

DOZEN PEELERS OR SOFT CRABS OR A COMBINATION OF NOT MORE THAN 1 DOZEN PEELERS AND SOFT CRABS PER DAY.

(IV) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, NOT MORE THAN 2 DOZEN HARD CRABS OR MORE THAN 1 DOZEN PEELERS OR SOFT CRABS OR A COMBINATION OF 1 DOZEN PEELERS AND SOFT CRABS MAY BE TAKEN OR POSSESSED PER BOAT.”;

in line 13, strike “OR AN INDIVIDUAL EXEMPTED UNDER SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION”; and in lines 17 and 18, strike “OR EXEMPTED UNDER SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION”.

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 4, after line 20, insert:

“(3) AN INDIVIDUAL LICENSED TO PROVIDE SERVICES AS A COMMERCIAL FISHING GUIDE OR TO RECREATIONALLY FISH IN THE CHESAPEAKE BAY MAY POSSESS MORE THAN 2 DOZEN PEELERS OR SOFT CRABS FOR THE PURPOSE OF FISHING.”;

in line 21, strike “(G)” and substitute “(F)”; in the same line, strike “EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION,” and substitute “IN ADDITION TO THE RECREATIONAL CRABBING GEAR AUTHORIZED IN SUBSECTION (A)(2)(I) OF THIS SECTION,”; and strike beginning with “OR” in line 22 down through “SECTION” in line 23.

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 4, in line 26, after “PORTION;” insert “AND”; and in line 30, strike “; AND” and substitute a period.

On pages 4 and 5, strike beginning with line 31 on page 4 down through line 15 on page 5.

On page 5, in lines 16 and 22, in each instance, strike the brackets; and in lines 16 and 22,

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strike “(H)” and “(I)”, respectively.

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 6, strike in their entirety lines 10 and 11 and substitute:

“Chapter 184 of the Acts of 1994

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That notwithstanding any regulation adopted by the Department of Natural Resources to the contrary[:

(1) A person catching crabs for recreational purposes may begin crabbing at 5:30 a.m. on any day;

(2) The per person limit on the number of collapsible crab traps and crab net rings that may be used to catch crabs for recreational purposes, in any combination, is 10, except that, regardless of the number of people on a boat, up to 25 collapsible crab traps and rings, in any combination, may be used for recreational purposes per boat; and

(3) Notwithstanding] AND NOTWITHSTANDING a requirement that crab pots have unobstructed cull rings, a person may obstruct the cull ring of a crab pot at any time of the year in order to catch peeler crabs.”;

and in line 12, strike “3.” and substitute “2.”.