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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Natural Resources - Seafood Landing License - Establishment**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the seafood landing license; requiring certain  
4 persons who land fish caught in out-of-state waters to obtain a seafood landing  
5 license; establishing a certain annual fee for the seafood landing license; and  
6 generally relating to the establishment of the seafood landing license.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
8 Article - Natural Resources  
9 Section 4-701(d)  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

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

14 **Article - Natural Resources**

15 4-701.

16 (d) (1) The Department may issue no more than one authorization to a  
17 person to engage in each activity under paragraph (2)(ii)1 and 2 of this subsection  
18 during a license year.

19 (2) (i) On a tidal fish license, the Department may issue an  
20 authorization for any of the following activities for which the indicated fee has been  
21 paid.

22 (ii) The following annual fees for an authorization shall apply  
23 regardless of when the license is issued or an activity is authorized:

24 1. To provide services as:

25 A. A fishing guide in the tidal waters of Maryland - \$50 for a  
26 resident and \$100 for a nonresident; and

- 1 B. A master fishing guide, in addition to the fee under item A  
 2 of this item - \$50 per vessel
- 3 2. To catch for sale fish with equipment which is legal under  
 4 this title:
- 5 A. Finfish:
- 6 I. Hook and line only, anywhere: \$37.50
- 7 II. All other equipment: \$100
- 8 B. Crabs:
- 9 I. Up to 50 pots, trotlines, nets, dip nets, traps, pounds, and  
 10 scrapes: \$50
- 11 II. Over 50 pots, plus any other gear listed in item I of this  
 12 sub-sub-subparagraph: \$150
- 13 C. Clams - \$100
- 14 D. Oysters - \$250 for a dredge boat and \$50 for other than a  
 15 dredge boat
- 16 E. Conch, turtles, and lobster - \$50
- 17 F. For all activities in item 1A of this subparagraph and in  
 18 items A through E of this item, unlimited tidal fish - \$300
- 19 3. For one or two crew members employed under § 4-814 of  
 20 this title to enable a licensee to catch crabs under subparagraph (ii)2BII and F of this  
 21 paragraph with more than 300 pots, the licensee shall pay \$20 for each crew member.
- 22 4. Except for a licensee dealing in his own catch, for a person  
 23 to buy, process, pack, resell, market or otherwise deal in fish caught in the tidal  
 24 waters of Maryland, seafood dealer - \$150
- 25 5. FOR A PERSON WHO IS NOT LICENSED UNDER THIS  
 26 SECTION TO LAND FISH CAUGHT IN OUT-OF-STATE TIDAL WATERS, SEAFOOD  
 27 LANDING - \$150
- 28 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
 29 June 1, 2005.