

CHAPTER 17

(Senate Bill 104)

AN ACT concerning

Working Waterfront Commission – Reporting and Sunset Extension

FOR the purpose of altering the date by which the Working Waterfront Commission must make a certain report; altering the termination date of the Commission; and generally relating to the Working Waterfront Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 30 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007
Section 1 and 2

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

Chapter 30 of the Acts of 2007

SECTION 1. AND BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That:

- (a) There is a Working Waterfront Commission.
- (b) The Commission consists of the following members:
 - (1) one member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;
 - (2) one member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
 - (3) the Secretary of Natural Resources, or the Secretary's designee;
 - (4) the Secretary of Planning, or the Secretary's designee;
 - (5) the Secretary of Business and Economic Development, or the Secretary's designee;
 - (6) the Executive Director of the Maryland Association of Counties, or the Executive Director's designee;

(7) the Executive Director of the Maryland Municipal League, or the Executive Director's designee;

(8) the Executive Director of the Maryland Agricultural and Resource-Based Industry Development Corporation, or the Executive Director's designee;

(9) the Executive Director of the Coastal Bays Association, or the Executive Director's designee;

(10) the President of the Chesapeake Bay Seafood Industries Association, or the President's designee;

(11) the Director of the Sea Grant Program, or the Director's designee;

(12) the President of the Maryland Waterman's Association and a member of the Maryland Waterman's Association appointed by the President of the Association;

(13) the Executive Director of the Maryland Saltwater Sportfishermen's Association, or the Executive Director's designee; and

(14) three watermen appointed by the Governor representing:

(i) the coastal bay;

(ii) the lower bay; and

(iii) the upper bay.

(c) The Governor shall designate the chair of the Commission.

(d) The Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Legislative Services shall provide staff for the Commission.

(e) A member of the Commission:

(1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Commission; but

(2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

(f) The Commission shall study and make recommendations regarding protecting and preserving Maryland's commercial fishing industry's access to public trust waters.

(g) On or before [December 15, 2007] **DECEMBER 1, 2008**, the Commission shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2007. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year **AND 7 MONTHS** and, at the end of [May] **DECEMBER** 31, 2008, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2008.

Approved by the Governor, April 8, 2008.