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BY: Senator Astle

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 159

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, after "Poaching —" insert "Monitoring and"; in line 3, after "of" insert "requiring the Department of Natural Resources to operate a helicopter for certain purposes relating to the unlawful taking of oysters;"; in line 6, strike "of Natural Resources"; after line 13 insert:

"BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

<u>Article - Natural Resources</u>

<u>Section 4-205(a)</u>

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2005 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)";

and in line 16, after "Section" insert "4-205(m) and".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 21, insert:

"4-205.

(a) The Department may operate, sell, buy, lease, exchange, rent, or repair any vehicle, vessel, boat, net, or other equipment necessary for its work. It may equip a vehicle, vessel, or boat, which it owns or operates, with any required arms, ammunition, or equipment. The Department's authority under this subsection is subject to the provisions of law concerning budget and procurement.

(M) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL OPERATE A HELICOPTER TO:

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- (1) MONITOR THE OYSTER FISHERY;
- (2) DETECT ANY UNLAWFUL TAKING OF OYSTERS IN STATE
 WATERS; AND
- (3) AID GENERALLY IN ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS RELATED TO THE UNLAWFUL TAKING OF OYSTERS UNDER THIS TITLE.".