

HOUSE BILL 998

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By: **Delegates Jacobs, Adams, Anderton, Arentz, Carozza, Ghrist, Kipke, Mautz, Otto, and Szeliga, Szeliga, Beidle, and Cassilly**

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Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

Committee Report: Favorable with amendments

House action: Adopted

Read second time: March 14, 2015

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Natural Resources – Striped Bass Permits – Annual Fees**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the annual fee for the commercial striped bass permit;
4 providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to annual fees for
5 striped bass permits.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

7 Article – Natural Resources

8 Section 4–701(f)

9 Annotated Code of Maryland

10 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

12 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

13 **Article – Natural Resources**

14 4–701.

15 (f) For a tidal fish license, the Department may issue a permit for any of the
16 following activities for which the indicated annual fee has been paid:

17 (1) To catch for sale:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



- 1 (i) Striped bass:
- 2 1. ~~[\$200]~~ **\$160** for a licensee authorized under subsection
- 3 (d)(2)(ii)2A of this section; or
- 4 2. ~~[\$150]~~ **\$120** for a licensee authorized under subsection
- 5 (d)(2)(ii)2F of this section;
- 6 (ii) Yellow perch: \$25;
- 7 (iii) Horseshoe crab: \$25;
- 8 (iv) Black sea bass: \$25;
- 9 (v) Summer flounder: \$25; or
- 10 (vi) Snapping turtle: \$25.

11 (2) The Department may establish by regulation a permit and an annual

12 permit fee not exceeding \$25 for any species not subject to a permit under this subsection.

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

14 1, 2015. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of May 31, 2016, with

15 no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no

16 further force and effect.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.