

# HOUSE BILL 1693

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By: **Delegate Chang**

Introduced and read first time: February 15, 2018

Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Consolidated Senior Sport Fishing License – Minimum Age**

3 FOR the purpose of lowering the age at which a resident may obtain a consolidated senior  
4 sport fishing license; making stylistic and clarifying changes; and generally relating  
5 to consolidated senior sport fishing licenses.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
7 Article – Natural Resources  
8 Section 4–216  
9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
10 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2017 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 4–216.

15 (a) The Department shall establish a resident consolidated senior sport fishing  
16 license, to be issued to residents of Maryland beginning in the calendar year in which they  
17 attain the age of [65] **62**.

18 (b) **(1)** The resident consolidated senior sport fishing license may be obtained  
19 from the Department or from any authorized agent of the Department.

20 **(2) (I)** The annual fee for the license is \$5.

21 **(II)** As compensation **FOR ISSUING A CONSOLIDATED SENIOR**  
22 **SPORT FISHING LICENSE**, an agent shall retain 50 cents for each license issued.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (c) A resident consolidated senior sport fishing license shall be valid for 1 year  
2 following the date of issuance.

3 (d) A holder of a resident consolidated senior sport fishing license may:

4 (1) Engage in angling on the nontidal waters of the State without holding  
5 an angler's license under § 4-604 of this title;

6 (2) Engage in angling for trout on the nontidal waters of the State without  
7 holding a trout stamp under § 4-614 of this title; and

8 (3) Fish for finfish in the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries or in the State  
9 waters of the Atlantic Ocean and the Atlantic coastal bays and their tributaries without  
10 holding a Chesapeake Bay and coastal sport fishing license under § 4-745 of this title.

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
12 October 1, 2018.