

SENATE BILL 113

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(PRE-FILED)

By: Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources)

Requested: September 20, 2017

Introduced and read first time: January 10, 2018

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Natural Resources – Recreational License Incentive Discount Program**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Recreational License Incentive Discount Program in
4 the Department of Natural Resources; authorizing the Department to offer certain
5 incentive discounts under the Program for certain recreational fishing and hunting
6 licenses under certain circumstances; stating the purpose of the Program;
7 authorizing the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term;
8 and generally relating to the Recreational License Incentive Discount Program.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Natural Resources

11 Section 1-901 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 9. Recreational License
12 Incentive Discount Program”

13 Annotated Code of Maryland

14 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

17 **Article – Natural Resources**

18 **SUBTITLE 9. RECREATIONAL LICENSE INCENTIVE DISCOUNT PROGRAM.**

19 **1-901.**

20 **(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE, “PROGRAM” MEANS THE RECREATIONAL LICENSE**
21 **INCENTIVE DISCOUNT PROGRAM.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(B) THERE IS A RECREATIONAL LICENSE INCENTIVE DISCOUNT PROGRAM**
2 **IN THE DEPARTMENT.**

3 **(C) THE PROGRAM IS ESTABLISHED TO PROVIDE INCENTIVES FOR**
4 **ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS TO OBTAIN RECREATIONAL FISHING AND HUNTING**
5 **LICENSES.**

6 **(D) (1) IN ADMINISTERING THE PROGRAM, THE DEPARTMENT MAY**
7 **OFFER INCENTIVE DISCOUNTS FOR RECREATIONAL FISHING AND HUNTING**
8 **LICENSES ISSUED UNDER §§ 4-604, 4-745, AND 10-301 OF THIS ARTICLE.**

9 **(2) AN INCENTIVE DISCOUNT OFFERED OR PROVIDED UNDER THE**
10 **PROGRAM:**

11 **(I) MAY NOT EXCEED 50% OF THE UNDERLYING LICENSE FEE;**
12 **AND**

13 **(II) MAY BE OFFERED OR PROVIDED FOR A SPECIFIC**
14 **RECREATIONAL LICENSE ONLY TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS NOT HELD THAT**
15 **LICENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 2 YEARS.**

16 **(E) THE DEPARTMENT MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THIS**
17 **SECTION.**

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
19 1, 2018.