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BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 545

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 9, after "format" insert "<u>subject to a certain exception; requiring</u> a certain license to be permanently affixed to a boat"; and in line 17, after "(g)" insert "and 4–745(d)(2)".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 5, strike "AN" and substitute "(1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, AN"; and after line 9, insert:

"(2) AN ANNUAL SPECIAL CHESAPEAKE BAY AND COASTAL SPORT FISHING LICENSE SHALL BE PERMANENTLY AFFIXED TO A BOAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 4–745(D)(2) OF THIS ARTICLE.".

On page 4, after line 4, insert:

- "(d) (2) (i) The Department may provide by regulation for issuance of an annual special Chesapeake Bay and coastal sport fishing license, which when permanently affixed to a boat registered in any state shall authorize any person on the boat to fish for finfish in the Chesapeake Bay or in its tributaries up to tidal boundaries or in State waters of the Atlantic Ocean and the Atlantic coastal bays and their tributaries, except that such a license may not be used on a boat that has been hired to take such persons fishing.
 - (ii) The annual fee for this special license shall be \$50.

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(iii) If a boat owner purchases the special license under this paragraph, the boat owner may fish anywhere in the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries or the State waters of the Atlantic Ocean and the Atlantic coastal bays and their tributaries, whether the boat owner is fishing in the owner's boat, in another person's boat, on land, or elsewhere. The Department shall issue a complimentary Chesapeake Bay and coastal sport fishing license to the boat owner who purchases a special license under this paragraph. If a boat to which the special license is affixed has more than one owner, then only the individual applicant who signs the application for the special license shall be entitled to a complimentary Chesapeake Bay and coastal sport fishing license under this paragraph."