

# SENATE BILL 102

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(3lr0412)

## ENROLLED BILL

— Education, Energy, and the Environment/Environment and Transportation —

Introduced by **Senator Bailey**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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President.

### CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Natural Resources – Recreational Crabbing ~~License – Exemption~~ Gear –**  
3 **Individuals Under the Age of 16 Years**

4 FOR the purpose of ~~exempting persons under a certain age from the requirement to obtain~~  
5 ~~a recreational crabbing license to catch or attempt to catch crabs for recreational~~  
6 ~~purposes in the waters of the Chesapeake Bay and its tidal tributaries; and generally~~  
7 ~~relating to exemptions from the requirement to obtain a recreational crabbing license~~  
8 authorizing an individual under a certain age to use certain gear when catching or  
9 attempting to catch crabs for recreational purposes without a recreational crabbing  
10 license; and generally relating to recreational crabbing.

11 BY adding to  
12 Article – Natural Resources  
13 Section 4–805  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland

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#### 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.

*Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.*



1 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

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

4 **Article – Natural Resources**

5 **4-805.**

6 ~~A PERSON MAY CATCH OR ATTEMPT TO CATCH CRABS FOR RECREATIONAL~~  
7 ~~PURPOSES IN THE WATERS OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY AND ITS TIDAL TRIBUTARIES~~  
8 ~~WITHOUT A RECREATIONAL CRABBING LICENSE IF THE PERSON IS UNDER THE AGE~~  
9 ~~OF 16 YEARS.~~

10 AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE AGE OF 16 YEARS CATCHING OR ATTEMPTING TO  
11 CATCH CRABS IN THE WATERS OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY AND ITS TIDAL  
12 TRIBUTARIES WITHOUT A RECREATIONAL CRABBING LICENSE MAY USE A  
13 COLLAPSIBLE TRAP OR NET RING, NET RING, HANDLINE, OR DIP NET, AS DESCRIBED  
14 BY THE DEPARTMENT IN REGULATIONS.

15 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June  
16 1, 2023.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.