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BY: Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 674
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “**and**”; in the same line, after “**Salling**” insert “**, and Simonaire**”; in line 9, after “platforms” insert “or by attaching certain information to a vessel”; and in line 13, after “organization” insert “for certain purposes”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 2, after “**(E)**” insert “**(1)**”; and after line 6, insert:

“(2) A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION SHALL USE ANY FUNDS RECEIVED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION TO ESTABLISH, OPERATE, AND ADMINISTER A MARITIME HERITAGE COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS IN THE STATE AND INSTRUMENTALITIES OF THE STATE, COUNTIES, OR MUNICIPALITIES ENGAGED IN MARITIME HERITAGE PRESERVATION, INTERPRETATION, OR CONSERVATION.

“(3) ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 30 EACH YEAR, A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT RECEIVES FUNDS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT ON THE GUIDELINES, PROMOTION, SELECTION, RECIPIENTS, AND IMPACT OF THE ORGANIZATION’S COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM.”

On page 5, in line 25, strike “**OR**”; and in line 27, after “**PLATFORMS**” insert “**;**
OR

(III) BY ATTACHING TO THE VESSEL IN A CLEARLY VISIBLE PLACE A DISTINCTIVELY COLORED NOTIFICATION STICKER OR TAG THAT CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

1. THE DATE AND TIME THE NOTIFICATION WAS AFFIXED TO THE VESSEL;

2. A STATEMENT THAT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION, IF THE VESSEL IS NOT REMOVED WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE DATE THE NOTIFICATION STICKER OR TAG WAS AFFIXED, THE VESSEL MAY BE SEIZED, REMOVED, TAKEN INTO CUSTODY AND SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION, ACQUIRED BY TITLE UNDER § 8-722 OF THIS SUBTITLE, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSED OF; AND

3. THE LOCATION AND TELEPHONE NUMBER WHERE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED”.

On page 6, in line 5, after “given” insert “OR WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE NOTICE AUTHORIZED UNDER SUBSECTION (E)(1)(III) OF THIS SECTION”; and strike beginning with “DETERMINED” in line 28 down through the second comma in line 30.

On page 7, in line 3, strike the colon and substitute “THE APPLICANT IS THE OWNER OF THE VESSEL AND A RESIDENT OF THE STATE.”; and strike in their entirety lines 4 through 19, inclusive, and substitute:

“(D) IN EVALUATING WHETHER A VESSEL IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE PROGRAM, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PRIORITIZE, IN ORDER OF PRIORITY, THE FOLLOWING VESSELS:

(1) A VESSEL THAT IS ABANDONED OR SUNKEN AS DEFINED IN § 8-721 OF THIS SUBTITLE;

(2) A VESSEL THAT IS AT RISK OF BECOMING ABANDONED OR SUNKEN IF:

(i) THE VESSEL IS TAKING ON OR HAS TAKEN ON WATER WITHOUT AN EFFECTIVE MEANS TO DRAIN OR EMPTY THE WATER;

(ii) SPACES ON THE VESSEL THAT ARE DESIGNED TO BE ENCLOSED ARE INCAPABLE OF BEING SEALED OFF OR REMAIN OPEN TO THE ELEMENTS FOR EXTENDED PERIODS OF TIME; OR

(iii) THE VESSEL HAS BROKEN FROM OR IS IN DANGER OF BREAKING LOOSE FROM ITS ANCHOR; AND

(3) ANY OTHER VESSEL THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES IS ELIGIBLE FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM.”.