

Larry Hogan, Governor Boyd Rutherford, Lt. Governor Jeannie Haddaway-Riccio, Secretary Charles Glass, Deputy Secretary

February 25, 2020

The Honorable Paul G. Pinsky Chair, Education, Health and Environmental Affairs Committee 2 West Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

The Honorable Cheryl C. Kagan Vice Chair, Education, Health and Environmental Affairs Committee 2 West Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: Letter of Support – Senate 4 - Recognition of Maryland License Suspensions and Revocations by the Potomac River Fisheries Commission

Dear Chair Pinsky, Vice Chair Kagan and Committee Members:

The Maryland Department of Nature Resources offers its full support for Senate Joint Resolution 4 and respectfully requests a favorable committee report.

The department is currently working with the Potomac River Fisheries Commission and the State of Virginia to take action to prohibit a person from participating in a fishery under the Commission's jurisdiction if the person's license to catch, sell, buy, process, transport, export, or otherwise deal in fish in Maryland has been suspended or revoked. All parties are onboard to move forward with the necessary action to implement.

For these reasons, the department respectfully submits to the Committee this information on Senate Joint Resolution 4.

Respectfully submitted, James W. McKitrick Director, Legislative and Constituent Services