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Approved April 22, 1980.

CHAPTER 124

(Senate Bill 118)

AN ACT concerning

Somerset and Wicomico Counties - Crab Pots

FOR the purpose of permitting owners of tidewater shoreline property in Somerset and Wicomico counties to set a certain number of crab pots off shore of their properties.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources
Section 4-811
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1974 Replacement Volume and 1979 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

4-811.

Any owner of tidewater shoreline property in Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Worcester, Calvert, Charles [and], St. Mary's, SOMERSET, AND WICOMICO counties may set not more than four crab pots attached to his pier or dock, by line, string or rope, or attached to a pole set not more than 200 feet from shore. This pole shall be conspicuously marked by colored tape or similar material and shall have on it a sign at least 6 inches by 6 inches indicating the owner's name and address. Pots may be set any day or night during the crab season when the shore owner or a member of his family is residing at the owner's shore property. Any person catching crabs in this manner shall use them for personal consumption only and may not sell them. The provisions of this section do not apply in the Potomac River.

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