

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 283 – *Fish and Fisheries – Seafood – Aquaculture*.

This bill renames the Seafood Marketing Authority within the Department of Agriculture to be the Seafood Marketing and Aquaculture Development Program and alters the duties of the Aquaculture Advisory Committee within the Department.

House Bill 971, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 283.

Very truly yours,
Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor

Senate Bill No. 283

AN ACT concerning

Fish and Fisheries – Seafood – Aquaculture

FOR the purpose of renaming the Seafood Marketing Authority within the Department of Agriculture to be the Seafood Marketing and Aquaculture Development Program; renaming and altering the duties of the Aquaculture Advisory Committee within the Department; establishing and providing for the duties of the Aquaculture Review Board within the Department; establishing and providing for the duties of the Seafood Program Management Team within the Department; establishing and providing for the duties of the Innovative Seafood Technologies Program within the Department; establishing and providing for the duties of an Aquaculture Coordinator within the Department; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to take certain measures to increase the productivity or utility of the natural oyster bars of the State; requiring, on or before a certain date, the Tidal Fisheries Advisory Commission within the Department of Natural Resources to conduct certain activities and to, in accordance with certain laws, issue a report to certain legislative committees; making certain technical changes; providing for the termination of a certain provision of this Act; and generally relating to the management of seafood resources in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 2–102(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1999 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 2–106(a), 10–1001, 10–1002, 10–1301, and 10–1302
Annotated Code of Maryland