

CHAPTER 361

(House Bill 347)

AN ACT concerning

Hunting - Duck Blinds - Site Licenses

FOR the purpose of repealing certain requirements for an application for a duck blind site license; repealing certain requirements for obtaining a duck blind site license; repealing certain requirements for the content of a duck blind site license; repealing certain requirements for issuance of a duck blind site license; repealing certain exceptions to requirements for a duck blind site license; and generally relating to requirements for a duck blind site license.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources

Section 10-612

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 703 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1999)

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

Article - Natural Resources

10-612.

(a) The Department shall inspect a licensed blind site to determine the validity of the certifications in an application upon request of the owner of the shore front property.

(b) If the Department finds that the certifications of the application are erroneous, the Department may revoke the license by giving written notice to the applicant.

[(c) (1) A riparian owner owning the required amount of shoreline shall certify in writing to the clerk that the riparian owner is the owner of the required amount of shoreline. A lessee, licensee, or assignee of a riparian owner shall present to the clerk a written statement from the riparian owner authorizing the lessee, licensee, or assignee to erect a stationary blind or a blind site. The lessee, licensee, or assignee also shall certify that the riparian owner owns the required amount of shoreline.

(2) A riparian owner owning less than the required amount of shoreline who desires to erect a stationary blind shall present the written permission of every shoreowner having continuous shore frontage along the required amount of shoreline.

(3) A riparian owner owning less than the required amount of shoreline applying between August 1 and August 14, inclusive, shall certify that the owner is a