

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

Article - Natural Resources

8-708.

(b) Except for the construction of pump-out stations for use by the general boating public at public and private marinas, the governing body and the Waterway Improvement Fund jointly shall finance projects to construct marine facilities beneficial to the boating public. The contribution of the Waterway Improvement Fund shall be limited to not more than 50% of the cost of each project. However, the Waterway Improvement Fund may finance completely any construction project beneficial to the boating public which costs less than ~~[\$50,000]~~ \$100,000 regardless of its location.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2001.

Approved April 20, 2001.

CHAPTER 272

(House Bill 772)

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources - Recreational and Commercial Crabbing License

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law establishing a noncommercial crabbing license; requiring an individual who ~~catches or possesses~~ uses certain gear to catch or possess crabs in the waters of the Chesapeake Bay and its tidal tributaries for recreational purposes to obtain a recreational crabbing license; providing a certain exception to the licensing requirement; establishing certain restrictions on gear that may be used for catching crabs for recreational purposes; establishing certain limits on the numbers of certain crabs that licensed and ~~exempted~~ unlicensed individuals may catch or possess; prohibiting certain individuals from offering to sell or selling crabs that were caught for recreational purposes; prohibiting an individual from catching crabs for recreational purposes until a certain time of day; prohibiting the Department from adopting certain regulations; providing that certain penalties apply for violations of this Act; repealing certain obsolete provisions of law; ~~removing the termination date of certain provisions of law~~; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to recreational crabbing licenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources

Section 4-803 and 4-805

Annotated Code of Maryland