

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2001.

May 17, 2001

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 514 – Natural Resources Recreational and Commercial Crabbing.

This bill prohibits the Department of Natural Resources from adopting certain commercial crabbing regulations and establishes new provisions relating to the establishment of a recreational crabbing license and a recreational crabbing boat license.

House Bill 772, 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 514.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

Senate Bill No. 514

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 uses certain gear to catches catch or ~~possesses~~ 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; 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