

Natural Resources - Maryland Provisional Chesapeake Bay Charter Boat Permit

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Natural Resources to establish a Maryland Provisional Chesapeake Bay Charter Boat Permit; authorizing the Department to issue a charter boat permit under certain circumstances; providing that the permit is valid under certain circumstances and nontransferable; providing that a person in possession of a permit is not required to possess a certain commercial fishing guide license; requiring a person operating a charter boat to possess certain federal and state licenses and permits; providing for the application of certain penalties; authorizing the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term; and generally relating to establishing a Maryland Provisional Chesapeake Bay Charter Boat Permit.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources

Section 4-210(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Natural Resources

Section 4-210.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

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

Article - Natural Resources

4-210.

(a) Except for a person employed to operate a vessel for a master fishing guide under § 4-701(o) OR A PERSON PERMITTED TO OPERATE A CHARTER BOAT UNDER § 4-210.2, any person who desires to accept direct or indirect consideration for providing services as a fishing guide shall obtain a license.

4-210.2.

(A) IN THIS SECTION, "PERMIT" MEANS A MARYLAND PROVISIONAL CHESAPEAKE BAY CHARTER BOAT PERMIT.

(B) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH A MARYLAND PROVISIONAL CHESAPEAKE BAY CHARTER BOAT PERMIT.

(C) THE DEPARTMENT MAY ISSUE A PERMIT IF THE PERSON: