

SENATE BILL 102

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CF HB 465

By: **Senator Bailey**

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Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

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Senate action: Adopted

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Natural Resources – Recreational Crabbing ~~License – Exemption~~ Gear –**
3 **Individuals Under the Age of 16 Years**

4 FOR the purpose of ~~exempting persons under a certain age from the requirement to obtain~~
5 ~~a recreational crabbing license to catch or attempt to catch crabs for recreational~~
6 ~~purposes in the waters of the Chesapeake Bay and its tidal tributaries; and generally~~
7 ~~relating to exemptions from the requirement to obtain a recreational crabbing license~~
8 authorizing an individual under a certain age to use certain gear when catching or
9 attempting to catch crabs for recreational purposes without a recreational crabbing
10 license; and generally relating to recreational crabbing.

11 BY adding to

12 Article – Natural Resources

13 Section 4–805

14 Annotated Code of Maryland

15 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

17 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

18 **Article – Natural Resources**

19 **4–805.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 ~~A PERSON MAY CATCH OR ATTEMPT TO CATCH CRABS FOR RECREATIONAL~~
 2 ~~PURPOSES IN THE WATERS OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY AND ITS TIDAL TRIBUTARIES~~
 3 ~~WITHOUT A RECREATIONAL CRABBING LICENSE IF THE PERSON IS UNDER THE AGE~~
 4 ~~OF 16 YEARS.~~

5 AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE AGE OF 16 YEARS CATCHING OR ATTEMPTING TO
 6 CATCH CRABS IN THE WATERS OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY AND ITS TIDAL
 7 TRIBUTARIES WITHOUT A RECREATIONAL CRABBING LICENSE MAY USE A
 8 COLLAPSIBLE TRAP OR NET RING, AS DESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN
 9 REGULATIONS.

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
 11 1, 2023.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.