

March 24, 2025

To: Honorable Marc Korman, Chair
Honorable Regina T. Boyce, Vice Chair
Honorable Members of the House Environment & Transportation Committee

Re: SUPPORT of Senate Bill 258 - Natural Resources - Fishing Licenses and Stamps - Alterations

Honorable Delegates,

I write to ask for your support of Senate Bill 258, which provides additional funding for Maryland DNR's inland fisheries division through a license and stamp fee increase.

I served on the stakeholder based work group that DNR leadership convened, and who's consensus based guidance is reflected by the changes in this bill.

Maryland DNR's inland fisheries division is made up of dedicated public servants who always go above and beyond in providing services to the license holders who support their work. In my experience, I have found that every component of their work is worth the modest investment this bill asks of future users of the resource.

For the benefit of Maryland's natural resources and the future of fishing, I respectfully urge a favorable report on Senate Bill 258.

Regards,

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