## **HOUSE BILL 1084**

M2 3lr2631 CF SB 634

By: Delegates Adams, Anderton, Arentz, Hutchinson, Jacobs, and Otto

Introduced and read first time: February 10, 2023

Assigned to: Ways and Means

Reassigned: Environment and Transportation, February 16, 2023

Committee Report: Favorable with amendments

House action: Adopted

Read second time: March 7, 2023

CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

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## Natural Resources - Oyster Inspection and Severance Taxes - Increase

- FOR the purpose of increasing the amount of the inspection tax levied on marketable oysters shipped in the shell to any place outside the State; increasing the amount of the severance tax levied on oysters caught within certain natural oyster bars; repealing a certain requirement that a certain tax increase be used for the oyster seed program in a certain manner; requiring that a certain amount of the severance tax levied be distributed to used by certain county oyster committees; and generally relating to oyster inspection and severance taxes.
- 10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 11 Article Natural Resources
- Section 4-1020(a) through (c)
- 13 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 14 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)
- 15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND.
- 16 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 17 Article Natural Resources

18 4–1020.

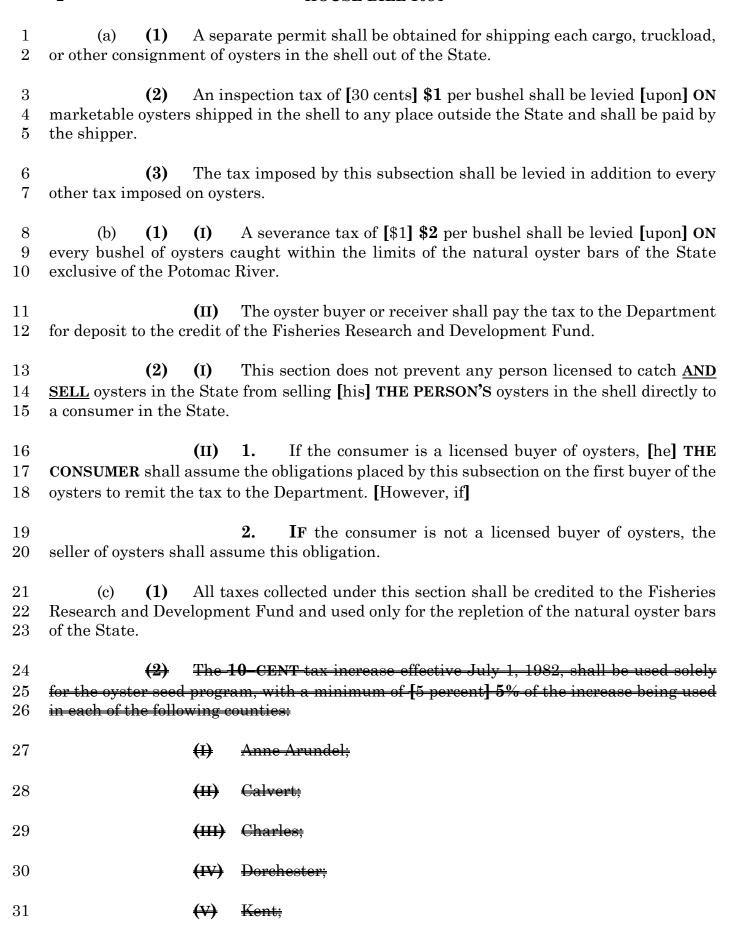
## EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

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





1	(VI) Queen	<del>n Anne's;</del>
2	(VII) Somerset;	
3	(VIII) St. Mary's;	
4	(IX) Talbo	<del>t; and</del>
5	(X) Wicor	<del>nico.</del>
6 7 8 9	(3) (2) OF THE SEVERANCE TAX COLLECTED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, \$1 OF EACH \$2 COLLECTED SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED TO USED BY THE COUNTY OYSTER COMMITTEES IN THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES FOR THE REPLETION OF NATURAL OYSTER BARS LOCATED IN THE WATERS OF THE COUNTY:	
10	(I) Anni	E ARUNDEL;
11	(II) BALT	TIMORE;
12	<del>(II)</del> (III)	CALVERT;
13	<del>(III)</del> <u>(IV)</u>	CHARLES;
14	<del>(IV)</del> <u>(V)</u>	DORCHESTER;
15	<del>(V)</del> <u>(VI)</u>	Kent;
16	<del>(VI)</del> <u>(VII)</u>	QUEEN ANNE'S;
17	<del>(VII)</del> (VIII)	SOMERSET;
18	<del>(VIII)</del> <u>(IX)</u>	St. Mary's;
19	<del>(IX)</del> <u>(X)</u>	TALBOT; AND
20	<del>(X)</del> <u>(XI)</u>	WICOMICO.
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