

CHAPTER 460

(House Bill 534)

AN ACT concerning

Restricted Gill Nets - Maximum Size Length

~~FOR the purpose of altering the maximum size of net that may be used under a restricted gill net license.~~

FOR the purpose of authorizing the use of restricted gill nets in all tidal waters of the State; making corrections; and increasing the maximum length of net that may be used under a restricted gill net license in certain areas.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Natural Resources
Section 4-701(d)(1)(iii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1983 Replacement Volume and 1985 Supplement)

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Article - Natural Resources
Section 4-709
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1983 Replacement Volume and 1985 Supplement)

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

Article - Natural Resources

4-701.

(d) (1) The following annual license fees shall apply:

(iii) To catch finfish for personal consumption with a restricted gill net pursuant to § 4-709.....\$25
4-709.

A person may be licensed to utilize a restricted gill net for noncommercial fishing in the tidal waters of ~~the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries~~ THE STATE, upon application and payment of a fee. The licensee may fish a single staked gill net, not to exceed [50 yards] ~~100-YARDS in length~~ 50 YARDS IN LENGTH IN THE CHESAPEAKE BAY AND ITS TIDAL TRIBUTARIES AND 100 YARDS IN LENGTH IN THE TIDAL WATERS OF WORCESTER COUNTY THAT ARE NOT TRIBUTARIES OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY and not to be used for commercial purposes. The use of nets fished under the provisions of this section is subject to every law and every rule or regulation governing net