

SENATE BILL 1025

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By: **Senator Bailey**

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Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Task Force on Reciprocity of Fishing License Penalties**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force on Reciprocity of Fishing License Penalties;
4 providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; requiring the
5 Governor to make a certain request regarding the composition, chair, and staffing of
6 the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain
7 compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the
8 Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters;
9 requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor
10 and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination
11 of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force on Reciprocity of Fishing License
12 Penalties.

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
14 That:

15 (a) There is a Task Force on Reciprocity of Fishing License Penalties.

16 (b) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, the Task Force consists of:

17 (i) the Secretary of Natural Resources, or the Secretary's designee;
18 and

19 (ii) members appointed by the Governor.

20 (2) The Governor shall request that the Governor of Virginia appoint
21 members to the Task Force.

22 (c) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, the Secretary of Natural
23 Resources, or the Secretary's designee, shall chair the Task Force.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (2) The Governor shall request that the Virginia Secretary of Natural
2 Resources, or the Secretary's designee, cochair the Task Force.

3 (d) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, the Department of Natural
4 Resources shall provide staff for the Task Force.

5 (2) The Governor shall request that the Potomac River Fisheries
6 Commission provide staff for the Task Force.

7 (e) A member of the Task Force:

8 (1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Task Force; but

9 (2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State
10 Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

11 (f) The Task Force shall study and make recommendations on:

12 (1) fishing license penalty reciprocity between Maryland and the Potomac
13 River Fisheries Commission;

14 (2) if Virginia participates in the Task Force, fishing license penalty
15 reciprocity between Virginia and the Potomac River Fisheries Commission; and

16 (3) the logistics associated with providing fishing license penalty
17 reciprocity.

18 (g) On or before December 1, 2021, the Task Force shall report its findings and
19 recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State
20 Government Article, the General Assembly.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
22 1, 2020. It shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of June 30, 2022,
23 this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and
24 of no further force and effect.