

2001 SESSION

INTRODUCED

013990856

HOUSE BILL NO. 2417

Offered January 10, 2001

Prefiled January 10, 2001

A BILL to amend and reenact § 28.2-520 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the possession of hydraulic dredges; penalty.

Patron—Morgan

Referred to Committee on Chesapeake and Its Tributaries

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 28.2-520 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 28.2-520. Use of hydraulic dredges prohibited; penalty.

A. It shall be unlawful for any person to ~~take or catch hard-shell clams through the use of~~ possess a hydraulic dredge while in Virginia waters. The Commission and the Virginia Institute of Marine Science may use hydraulic dredges to take and catch hard-shell clams on an experimental basis. However, a permit to take and catch hard-shell clams through the use of hydraulic dredges shall not be issued to any other person.

B. Any person who ~~takes or catches hard-shell clams using~~ possesses a hydraulic dredge while in Virginia waters is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

INTRODUCED

HB2417