LD7673607 1 **SENATE BILL NO. 910** 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 Offered January 23, 1995 A BILL to amend and reenact § 28.2-705 of the Code of Virginia, relating to taking of crabs; penalty. Patron—Barry Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources 9 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That § 28.2-705 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows: 10 § 28.2-705. License restrictions; exemption; penalty. 11 12 A. It is unlawful to: 13 1. Take crabs with a rake which is pulled or pushed by a boat; 14 2. Use a crab pot which has a mesh less than 1 1/2 inches; 15 3. Place food for adult male (jimmy) crabs in a peeler pot from September 16 through May 14. A peeler pot is exempt from mesh size limitations; 16 4. Use a boat when buying crabs which is also used to take or catch hard crabs with dredges, when 17 18 the Commission has limited the taking of crabs under § 28.2-713.;

5. Take crabs with a crab trap or a crab pot between sunset and sunrise.

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B. Any person who violates any provision of this section is guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor.