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CHAPTER 4

(House Bill 69)

AN ACT concerning

Boat Accident Reports

FOR the purpose of changing the conditions under which boat accidents must be reported to the Department of Natural Resources.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources
Section 8-724(b) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1974 Volume and 1980 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

8-724.

(b) If an accident involves any vessel subject to this subtitle while on the waters of the State and results in the death, disappearance, or injury of any person, or in property damage in excess of [\$100] \$200, OR THERE IS COMPLETE LOSS OF THE VESSEL, the operator or owner, if the operator cannot submit a report, shall file with the Department a full description of the accident, including any information the Department requires by rule or regulation. If the accident caused the death or disappearance of any person or a person [loses consciousness,] receives medical treatment BEYOND FIRST AID, [or is disabled for more than 24 hours,] the report shall be made within 48 hours. Any other accident resulting in personal injury or property damage shall be reported within [five] 10 days. This subsection does not apply to a vessel required to have a certificate of inspection under Chapter 1, Title 46, Code of Federal Regulations.

(c) If any vessel numbered in the State is involved in an accident on waters outside of the State, and the accident results in the death, disappearance, or injury of any person, or in property damage exceeding [\$100] \$200, the operator or owner, within 30 days, shall file a complete