

HOUSE BILL 1254

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By: **Delegate Arentz**

Introduced and read first time: March 6, 2015

Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Boat Act – Registered Vessel – Disclosure of Owner Information**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to disclose certain
4 information relating to the owner of a registered vessel to a certain dealer if
5 requested for a certain purpose; limiting the information that the Department may
6 disclose to a certain dealer; authorizing the Department to impose a fee not to exceed
7 a certain amount for providing certain information; requiring the Department to
8 provide certain information via electronic means; prohibiting the Department from
9 providing certain information in printed hard copy; and generally relating to the
10 disclosure of information relating to the owner of a registered vessel.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article – Natural Resources
13 Section 8–704.1
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

16 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
17 Article – Natural Resources
18 Section 8–710(a)
19 Annotated Code of Maryland
20 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

23 **Article – Natural Resources**

24 8–704.1.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the Department may not
2 furnish to any person the name, address, or other identifying information about the owner
3 of the registered vessel.

4 (b) (1) This section does not prevent the Department from furnishing
5 information under this section:

6 [(1)] (I) To another governmental agency;

7 [(2)] (II) If not requested for the purpose of preparing a mailing list, to a
8 person requesting the information in connection with the compilation of statistical data;

9 [(3)] (III) As to the owners of vessels registered under this subtitle, to a
10 person whose request for the information is determined by the Department to be limited
11 to, and necessary for, the protection of the ownership, safe operation, proper maintenance,
12 or repair of the vessel; [or]

13 [(4)] (IV) To a financial institution, as defined in § 1–101(i) of the Financial
14 Institutions Article, or its agents, employees, or contractors, requesting information under
15 § 4–317 of the General Provisions Article; OR

16 (V) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, TO A
17 DEALER LICENSED UNDER § 8–710 OF THIS SUBTITLE IF REQUESTED FOR THE
18 PURPOSE OF COMPILING INFORMATION ON CURRENT OR PROSPECTIVE
19 CUSTOMERS, INCLUDING PREPARING A MAILING LIST FOR SOLICITATIONS.

20 (2) (I) THIS PARAGRAPH APPLIES TO A DEALER REQUESTING
21 INFORMATION UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)(V) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

22 (II) INFORMATION PROVIDED TO A DEALER UNDER PARAGRAPH
23 (1)(V) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE LIMITED TO:

24 1. THE NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF THE OWNER OF
25 THE REGISTERED VESSEL; AND

26 2. THE MAKE, MODEL, AND YEAR OF THE REGISTERED
27 VESSEL.

28 (III) THE DEPARTMENT MAY CHARGE A FEE NOT TO EXCEED
29 \$150 FOR PROVIDING INFORMATION UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)(V) OF THIS
30 SUBSECTION.

1 **(IV) 1. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE THE**
2 **INFORMATION REQUESTED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)(V) OF THIS SUBSECTION VIA**
3 **ELECTRONIC MEANS.**

4 **2. THE DEPARTMENT MAY NOT PROVIDE THE**
5 **INFORMATION REQUESTED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)(V) OF THIS SUBSECTION IN**
6 **PRINTED HARD COPY.**

7 8-710.

8 (a) A manufacturer or dealer may not conduct his business in the State unless
9 licensed as a manufacturer or dealer pursuant to regulations the Department adopts.

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
11 October 1, 2015.