

CHAPTER 96
FORMERLY
SENATE BILL NO. 80

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO FISHING.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

Section 1. Amend § 8006A, Title 29 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strikethrough and insertions as shown by underline as follows:

§ 8006A. Council on Recreational Fishing Funding.

(a) There is established the Council on Recreational Fishing Funding.

(b) The Council on Recreational Fishing Funding shall serve in an advisory capacity to the Director of Fish and Wildlife and shall consider matters relative to funding of fishery-related projects as related to this State and such other matters as may be referred to it by the Governor, Secretary of the Department or Director of Fish and Wildlife.

(c) The Council on Recreational Fishing Funding shall be composed of 7~~10~~ members ~~who shall be appointed for 3 year terms by the Governor, as follows:~~

(1) Six members appointed by the Governor;

(2) One member appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;

(3) One member appointed by the Speaker of the House;

(4) The President of the Delaware Mobile Surf Fisherman Association or a designee appointed by the President;

(5) The Director of the Division of Fish and Wildlife or a designee appointed by the Director to serve as an ex-officio non-voting member.

(d) Appointments made by the Governor shall be appointed for a 3 year term and all other members shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority.

(e) The Council shall elect a Chair and Vice Chair.

~~(d) At least 3, but no more than 4, of the members of the Council shall be affiliated with 1 of the major political parties and at least 2, but no more than 3, of the members of the Council shall be affiliated with the other major political party; provided, however, there shall be no more than a bare majority representation of 1 major political party over the other major political party. Any person who declines to announce such person's political affiliation shall also be eligible for appointment as a member of the Council.~~

~~(e) One member of the House of Representatives (as designated by the Speaker of the House), 1 member of the Senate (as designated by the President Pro Tempore) and 1 member from the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Division of Fish and Wildlife, shall serve as ex-officio members of the Council.~~

(f) The ~~Department~~Division ex-officio non-voting member shall prepare minutes of each Council meeting. These minutes must be approved by a quorum of Council members in order to be official.

(g) All members of the Council shall serve without compensation, except that they may be reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses incident to their duties as members of the Council from the fishing license account.

(h) The Council shall meet no less than once per year ~~but no more than twice per year.~~ The Council shall provide nonbinding advice to the Department on fishery related construction priorities for the expenditure of funds generated from the sale of recreational fishing licenses in the coming year.

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