"PERTAINING TO THE USE OF TRAWLS IN THE TERRITORIAL SEA"

4 VAC 20-420-10 ET SEQ.

PREAMBLE

This chapter establishes a prohibition on the use of trawls in Virginia's portion of the Territorial Sea. The use of trawls or similar devices is prohibited in all the waters under Virginia's jurisdiction by §28.2-314 of the Code of Virginia; however, §28.2-315 of the Code of Virginia grants the Marine Resources Commission authority to permit trawling and control the area, manner, method, size and season of catch during certain times in certain areas of Virginia's portion of the Territorial Sea. The Marine Resources Commission has elected not to exercise this authority at this time, and by this chapter affirms its intent to keep Virginia's portion of the Territorial Sea closed to trawling.

This chapter is promulgated pursuant to authority contained in §§28.2-201 and 28.2-315 of the Code of Virginia. This chapter amends previous Chapter 450-01-0055, which was adopted March 28, 1995 and effective April 13, 1995. The effective date of this chapter is August 1, 2021.

4VAC20-420-10. Repealed.

4VAC20-420-20. Repealed.

4VAC20-420-30. Repealed.

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of the chapter passed by the Marine Resources Commission, pursuant to authority vested in the Commission by §28.2-201 of the Code of Virginia, duly advertised according to statute, and recorded in the Commission's minute book, at meeting held in Hampton, Virginia on July 27, 2021.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA MARINE RESOURCES COMMISSION

BY

Steven G. Bowman Commissioner

Subscribed and sworn to before me this under day of August 2021.

Notary Public