

conduct research on a controlled dangerous substance in the State in the course of professional practice or research.

(2) "Authorized provider" includes:

(I) a scientific investigator [and];

(II) an individual authorized by the State to practice medicine, dentistry, or veterinary medicine; AND

(III) AN ANIMAL CONTROL FACILITY LICENSED UNDER § 2-305 OF THE AGRICULTURE ARTICLE.

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(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(d) "Humane society" means a society or association incorporated in Maryland for the prevention of cruelty to animals.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act ~~shall take effect June 1, 2008~~ is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

Approved by the Governor, May 22, 2008.

## CHAPTER 698

(House Bill 1498)

AN ACT concerning

### Calvert County - Soft-Shell Clam Harvesting

FOR the purpose of altering in Calvert County the ~~distance~~ distance from the shoreline, ~~a natural oyster bar, or a leased oyster bottom~~ within which a person may not catch or attempt to catch soft-shell clams with certain gear; making a technical correction; making a stylistic change; providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to the catching of soft-shell clams in Calvert County.