

CHAPTER 724.

AN ACT for the better protection of otter and muskrats within Talbot County and the waters thereof. Talbot Co.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That it shall be unlawful for any person within the limits of Talbot County to shoot, trap or in any manner kill or have in possession any otter or muskrat between the fifteenth day of March and the first day of December, inclusive, in each and every year. Muskrats. Unlawful to kill, etc., within certain time.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be unlawful for any person within the limits of Talbot County, at any time from sunset until one hour before sunrise of every night to shoot, kill, or shoot at any otter or muskrat by means of any artificial light. Unlawful to kill at night by means of artificial light.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That any person violating either of the two preceding sections shall, on conviction thereof before any justice of the peace of the election district of Talbot county in which said violation shall occur, be fined ten dollars for each offense, to which shall be added the costs of the prosecution, and the boat, gun and other apparatus used by said offender shall be forfeited and sold by the officer making the arrest, and the officer making said sale shall receive from the proceeds of such sale the sum of ten dollars, and one-half of all such fines, and the proceeds of the forfeiture shall be paid to the informer and the other half to the game wardens, and in cases when the offender does not pay the fine imposed the costs of prosecution shall be paid from the sale of the forfeited property. Penalty for violation.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 10, 1900.

CHAPTER 725.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 409, 410 and 411 of Chapter six hundred and thirteen of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at its January Session A.D. eighteen hundred and ninety.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 409, 410 and 411 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at its January Session, A.D. eighteen hundred and ninety, entitled an Act to repeal Washington County. Williamsport.