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**Reserved Areas.**

1914, ch. 753.

**132.** The Commander of the State Fishery Force is hereby authorized to select and reserve for oyster conservation, as provided in this sub-title, any portion or portions of the natural beds, bars and rocks located along the western shore of the Chesapeake Bay, between the lower end of Holland Point Bar Rock and Pungy Harbor Rock. The Commander shall give notice of said reservation by advertisement to be inserted once a week for three successive weeks in a newspaper published in Baltimore City, Anne Arundel County and Calvert County, respectively, which advertisement shall describe the area reserved and give the date on which the reservation takes effect, and shall warn all persons not to catch or disturb oysters upon such reserved area until further notice from the Commander reopening same for public use. Whenever in the discretion of the Commander such reserved area shall have been replenished, but in no event later than three years after the beginning of such reservation, he shall fix a date for reopening same to the public, and shall give notice thereof by proper advertisement inserted as above provided. Any person who shall catch or disturb any oysters upon such reserved areas between the date such reservation begins and the date fixed by the Commander for reopening same, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be imprisoned in jail or in the House of Correction for not less than three months, nor more than one year in the discretion of the Court.

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**133.** Any resident of this State holding a dredger's or scraper's license for the past season may make application to the Commander of the State Fishery Force at his office in Annapolis for a permit to catch and remove seed oysters, at any time between March 15th and April 30th, or between October 1st and October 25th, in each year, from any bottoms, not leased, of the Chesapeake Bay north of a straight line drawn from Bodkin Point on the Western Shore to the lower or southernmost end of Hodges Bar Rock, not less than one mile and a half above Swann Point, on the Eastern Shore. The Commander may issue such permit, and shall describe therein the particular portion of said