

and every year; provided, that oysters caught before the twenty-fifth day of April may be disposed of at any time before the fifth day of May; and provided, this section shall not prevent transportation companies from carrying oysters brought from other States, nor hotel and restaurant keepers or private persons from purchasing oysters outside of the State of Maryland, nor shall it be construed to prevent any person from taking oysters for private use, and not for sale, from his private beds anywhere within this State at any time; any person violating the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction by a justice of the peace of the county wherein the offence was committed, shall be fined not less than fifty nor more than two hundred dollars, or imprisoned in the house of correction for not less than three months nor more than three years, in the discretion of the justice trying the same.

1886, ch 296, sec. 15.

22. It shall be unlawful for any person to take or catch oysters on Sunday or at night; and any person violating this section shall, on conviction thereof, be fined a sum of not less than fifty dollars nor more than three hundred dollars, or sentenced to the house of correction for a period of not less than three months nor more than one year, or forfeit the boat, vessel or canoe used in violation of this section, at the discretion of the judge or justice of the peace trying the case.

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1886, ch. 296, sec 18.

23. The fines accruing under any of sections 1-41 of this article shall be paid by the sheriff, constables or officers of the State fishery force collecting the same, within ten days, to the clerk of the court of the county or city where such fine may accrue, and such clerk shall account for the same in his next quarterly return to the comptroller of the treasury, to be placed to the credit of the oyster fund.

Ibid. sec. 22.

24. All moneys received or obtained from dredging licenses issued under the provisions of the preceding sections of this article, and all fines, penalties or forfeitures imposed in pursuance