

1878, ch. 424, sec. 2. 1880, ch. 462. 1888, ch. 238.

2. It shall be unlawful for any person to take or catch from the waters of this State any diamond back terrapin of a less size than five inches in length upon the bottom shell, at any time. This section shall not apply to Worcester county.

1878, ch. 424, sec. 3.

3. It shall be unlawful for any person to interfere with or in any manner destroy the diamond back terrapin eggs.

Ibid. sec. 4.

4. None but *bona fide* citizens of the counties of this State bordering upon the waters of the same shall take or catch diamond back terrapins from such waters.

Ibid. sec. 5.

5. Any person violating any of the preceding sections shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction of the same before a justice of the peace in the county in which the offence shall have been committed, he shall be fined a sum not less than five nor more than ten dollars for each diamond back terrapin so taken or caught, or for destroying any diamond back terrapin eggs; one-half of said fine to go to the informer, and the balance to be paid over by the said justice of the peace to the county commissioners of said county, to be by them disbursed for the benefit of said county; said fine to be collected as other fines are now collected.

Ibid. sec 6 1880, ch. 462. 1886. ch. 347. 1888, ch. 82. 1888, ch. 238.

6. The possession of any diamond back terrapin by any person between the first day of April and the first day of November shall be *prima facie* evidence that said person has violated section 1 of this article. This section shall not apply to Worcester county; nor to Calvert, Charles and St. Mary's counties.

Ibid. sec. 7.

7. The constables of the several counties of this State, upon the information of any one, shall arrest all persons violating the provisions of this article, and carry them before the nearest justice of the peace of the county in which such offence shall have been committed, to be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of section 5.