

1888, art. 74, sec. 10. 1860, art 74, sec. 10. 1853, ch. 214, sec 8.

**10.** The board of examiners may increase or decrease the number of pilots as they may deem necessary for the protection of the commercial interests of the State.

Ibid. sec 11. 1860, art. 74, sec. 11 1853, ch. 214, sec. 2.

**11.** Every member of the board, before he proceeds to examine any person applying for a warrant, shall take the following oath before some justice of the peace: I, \_\_\_\_\_, do swear that I will impartially examine and inquire into the capacity, skill and experience of the applicant or applicants in the art of piloting in the Chesapeake bay and the rivers thereof and will admit them as I find them qualified, or reject them if I shall find them unqualified, without favor, affection or reward.

Ibid. sec. 12. 1860, art. 74, sec. 12 1853, ch 214, sec. 4.

**12.** It shall not be lawful for any person to act as pilot, notwithstanding his having obtained a warrant as aforesaid, unless he or the company to which he belongs shall keep one sufficient boat of at least twenty-six feet keel, straight rabin and decked and well found, under the penalty of one hundred and fifty dollars for every vessel such person shall undertake to conduct or pilot.

Ibid. sec. 13. 1860, art. 74, sec. 13. 1853, ch. 214, sec. 4

**13.** No pilot shall make any demand to pilot any vessel unless he shall have a branch or license to the destined port of said vessel and the name of every boat and the place she belongs to shall be put on her stern and on her mainsail and foresail in large letters.

Ibid. sec. 14. 1860, art. 74, sec 14. 1853, ch. 214, sec. 5.

**14.** If any person not having a warrant as a pilot shall take upon himself to conduct or pilot any vessel bound from any port in this State to sea, or coming from sea and bound to any river of this State, and to any port thereof, he shall forfeit one hundred and fifty dollars and shall also be liable for all damages occasioned by his undertaking to conduct or pilot any such vessel; but this prohibition shall not prevent any person from assisting any vessel in distress, if such person shall deliver up such vessel to any pilot who shall come on board and offer to conduct or pilot such vessel; and the pilot shall pay such person one-half of the fees received by him for the pilotage of such vessel.