

appropriation shall be described by stakes, bushes, or other proper and visible metes and bounds, which description shall be reduced to writing, under the oath of some competent surveyor, and recorded at the expense of the party locating or appropriating the same, in the office of the clerk of the circuit court in the county wherein such land may be located; and provided, also, that such location and appropriation shall not injure, obstruct or impede the free navigation of said waters; and provided that no natural bar or bed of oysters shall be so located or appropriated; and that six months' peaceable possession of all locations of oyster grounds, under the laws of this State, shall constitute a good and sufficient title thereto; but should any one within the six months herein provided be charged with locating or appropriating any natural bed or bar hereinbefore prohibited, the question may be at once submitted by any person interested to the judge of the circuit court in the county where such questions shall arise, who, after having given notice to the parties interested, proceed to hear the testimony and decide the case, and if decision be in favor of the party locating said five acres, said decision shall be recorded with the original record of said five acres, and shall, in all cases, be conclusive evidence of title thereto.

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SEC. 24. *And be it enacted*, That if any creek, cove or inlet not exceeding one hundred yards, at low water, in breadth at its mouth, make into the lands, or that if any creek, cove or inlet of greater width than one hundred yards, at low water mark, make into the lands, the owner or owners or other lawful occupant or occupants shall have the exclusive right to use such creek, cove or inlet when the mouth of said creek, cove or inlet is one hundred yards or less in width; and when the said creek, cove or inlet is more than one hundred yards in width, at its mouth, at low water, the said owner or owners or other lawful occupant or occupants shall have exclusive right to use such creek, cove or inlet, so soon as said creek, cove or inlet, in making into said land or lands, shall become one hundred yards in width at low water, for preserving, depositing, bedding or sowing oysters or other shell fish, although such cove, creek or inlet may not be included in the lines of any patent.

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