

that the county school commissioners of said counties be governed by the Public General School Laws of the State except so far as said laws are modified by this act.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage. Effective.

Approved March 31, 1890.

CHAPTER 269.

AN ACT to amend article twenty, of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Somerset county," by adding thereto certain sections under the sub-title "Oysters," to follow section one hundred and ninety-six, and to be designated as "Sections, A B, C, D, E, F, G, H, and K."

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That article twenty, of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Somerset county," sub-title "Oysters," be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto certain new sections to follow next after section one hundred and ninety-six, and to be designated as "Sections A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, and K." Amended.

A. That the owner or owners of any land bordering on any of the navigable waters of Somerset county, the lines of which extend into and are covered by said waters shall have the exclusive privilege of using the same for the protecting, sowing, bedding or depositing oysters, shells or other shell-fish within the lines of their own land; and any owner or owners of any land, being citizens of Somerset county for twelve months, lying and bordering upon any of the waters of said county shall have power to locate and appropriate in any of the waters adjoining his, her or their lands one lot of five acres, and no more, for the purpose of protecting, sowing, preserving, depositing or bedding oysters, shells or other shell-fish; and any of the male citizens of Somerset county, of the full age of twenty-one years, shall have the power to locate and appropriate five acres in any waters of said county not located and appropriated under the provisions of this act; provided, that thirty days' notice in writing shall be given to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of lands bordering on said waters proposed to be located, that the owner or owners, occupant or occupants may have priority of claim; and if they shall fail to locate or appropriate the water mentioned in said notice for the purposes aforesaid, within thirty days after receiving the same, then it shall be open to anyone being a male citizen of Somerset To locate.
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