

CHAPTER 552.

AN ACT to authorize and empower the board of public works to build and equip a suitable sailing vessel to take the place of the sloop Carrie Franklin, to guard the waters of the fourth oyster district, being the waters of Wiconico county, of the State of Maryland.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the board of public works be and the same are hereby authorized and empowered to have built and equipped a suitable sailing vessel to take the place of the sloop Carrie Franklin, and assign the same to guard the waters of the fourth oyster district of the State of Maryland, being the waters of Wicomico county, and to name the same. To build.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the board of public works be and hereby authorized to sell the sloop Carrie Franklin at public or private sale and the funds arising from said sale turn over to the comptroller, to be placed to the credit of the oyster fund. To sell.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That the sum of five thousand dollars is hereby appropriated out of the funds standing to the credit of the oyster fund, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the purpose of building and equipping said sailing vessel, and the comptroller is hereby authorized to draw his warrant on the treasurer for the same. Appropriation.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage. Effective.

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CHAPTER 553.

AN ACT to repeal section one hundred and seventy-eight, of article twenty-three, of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, title "Corporations," sub-title "Railroads," and re-enact the same with an amendment.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That section one hundred and seventy-eight, of article twenty-three, of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, title "Corporations," sub-title "Railroads," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted so as to read as follows: Repeal.

178. It shall be lawful for any railroad company heretofore or hereafter incorporated under the laws of this State to consolidate with any other railroad company incorporated under the laws of this or any other State, or of the United States, whose railroad