

fee of six dollars shall be paid by each bidder to the Board of Public Works or its representatives, at the time of forwarding such bid, said fee shall be returned to the bidder if his bid shall be for any reason declined.

“Sec. 6. The said Board of Public Works shall open an office in Annapolis, and shall appoint a clerk upon a salary of not more than one thousand dollars, said clerk shall be known as ‘The Oyster Register.’ He shall give bond for the faithful performance of his duties in the sum of ten thousand dollars. The register shall keep at his office books of record, in which shall be recorded all assignments and other conveyances of land to be used for the planting or cultivation of oysters in accordance with this Act. A set of clear and simple forms for all conveyances of any kind shall be prepared by the register under the direction of the Attorney-General and no title shall be vested in any lessees or transferee of any interest or estate acquired under this Act until the conveyance or conveyances evidencing such leases or transfers shall have been recorded in the office of the Register. The said Oyster Register shall receive the fees provided to be paid by bidders or lessees; he shall also keep a book or set of books to be known as ‘The Registry of Titles to Oyster Lands in and adjacent to Calvert County.’ Every successful bidder for oyster lots shall pay to said register the further fee of four dollars in addition to that of six dollars which is to accompany his bid. The payment of the proper fees due from any accepted bidder, and the record of the name of said bidder, the statement of the location of the land awarded to him, with the yearly rental thereof in the registry, required by this section to be kept, shall constitute between the State and the bidder the relation of landlord and tenant, for the term of twenty years from the time of recording the name of the bidder in said registry.

“Sec. 7. And be it enacted, That the relation of landlord and tenant, stated in section 5, shall have all the incidents attaching to that relation as the same exists under the laws of Maryland, excepting only the following particulars.