

“Have grown naturally within a period of one year in such quantities to it for a livelihood. The term natural bed or bar whenever the same may be used in this Act, is intended to apply to all land where there is on the surface of the bottoms any very considerable number of shells or what is commonly known as ‘Shelly Bottom,’ section 2, line 5.”

Which was adopted.

By Mr. Bennett,

Strike out ‘tributaries’ whenever it may occur in this bill so that the provisions of this Act will not apply to any of the waters of this State excepting the open waters of the Chesapeake bay.

Which was adopted.

By Mr. Hill,

In lieu of section 4, insert the following:

“Section 4. And be it enacted, That the Board of Shell Fish Commissioners of Maryland, is hereby created. There shall be three of said commissioners; one of whom shall be a resident of the Eastern shore, another a resident of one of the counties of the Western shore, and the third a resident of Baltimore city. The term of the members of said board shall be two years, reckoning from the first Monday in May, after they are appointed. They shall be appointed by the Governor of Maryland, with the advice and consent of the Senate, if in session, and without said advice and consent if not in session. The acts and duties to be done and performed by said commissioners under this Act, may be done and performed by two of said commissioners, and in all cases the decision of a majority of said commissioners shall be binding. One of said commissioners shall be designated by the Governor as the Chief Commissioner, and his salary shall be \$2,500 a year. The salary of each of the other commissioners shall be \$2,00 a year. The commissioners shall be allowed to employ a Chief Clerk, upon a salary of \$1,200 a year, and such assistants not exceeding six in number at graded salaries to be named by the commissioners not to exceed \$1000 a year for any of such assistants as they deem necessary to aid them in the proper