

soft and peeler crabs, and to make regulations with respect to taking and possessing any fat crab, or any crab known as a snot crab, green crab, or buckram crab (a crab that has a paper shell). Provided, however, that nothing in this section shall be construed to empower said Commission to change existing license fees for taking, picking, canning, packing, or shipping cooked hard or soft crabs or crab meat; or for selling, marketing or shipping live hard or soft crabs by barrel or crate. The Commission, however, shall have the power to fix license fees on types of gear or equipment not now permitted under existing statutes but which may hereafter be authorized.

111A. It shall be lawful for any person or persons to take or catch crabs by scrape, dip net and trot line in any of the waters of the State and in no other manner or by any other means, except that in Kent and Queen Anne's Counties soft crabs may be taken by means of hand-drawn net scrape, and in Anne Arundel County, except within the waters of the Severn River, hard or soft crabs may be taken by means of crab seines not exceeding fifty feet in length and provided the seines are hauled up in the water and not on shore. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined not more than fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each such violation. The provisions of this section shall not apply to Apes Hole, Johnson Creek, Marumisco Creek and little Annamessex River.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1947.

Approved April 25, 1947.

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## CHAPTER 728.

(House Bill 344)

AN ACT to incorporate the "Town of Springdale", in Chillum Election District in Prince George's County, Maryland, adjoining the District of Columbia, the City of Hyattsville, and the Town of Mt. Rainier, consisting of two or three certain districts, and to provide for the government thereof; and to define the boundaries of each of said three districts, to provide that any two or more of said districts voting in favor of incorporation shall constitute the municipality of the Town of Springdale, and to