

**Chapter 374.**

AN ACT to repeal section one of chapter four hundred and seventy-one of the acts of the General Assembly of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, entitled "An act for the better protection of oysters in the waters of the Patuxent river," included within the boundaries of Calvert county and St. Mary's county, between Point Patience and Sheridan's Point, in Calvert county, and Town Point and Long Point, in St. Mary's county, and to re-enact the same with amendments.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That section one of chapter four hundred and seventy-one of the acts of the General Assembly of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, entitled "An act for the better protection of oysters in the waters of the Patuxent river," included within the boundaries of Calvert county and St. Mary's county, between Point Patience and Sheridan's Point, in Calvert county, and Town Point and Long Point, in St. Mary's county, be and the same is hereby repealed, and the following enacted in lieu thereof:

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lieu thereof.

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1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to take or catch oysters in water less than sixteen feet deep, for any purpose, in any manner or with any instrument whatever, in the waters of the Patuxent river, from the first day of May to the first day of September, in each year, after the passage of this act; provided, however, that this act shall not be construed to prohibit the citizens of Calvert county or St. Mary's county from taking from the waters thereof oysters for private use.

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strued.

Approved May 3, 1882.