

Misdemeanor.

posed to view or used than that which is furnished by the Comptroller; any person or persons who shall violate the provisions of this section, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction in any Court in this State, or before a Justice of the Peace, shall be fined not less than fifty dollars nor more than one hundred dollars, or imprisoned in the House of Correction for a period of not less than three months nor more than two years; provided, the Court or Justice of the Peace trying the same, shall be convinced that the provisions of this section have been intentionally violated, and in any such case, the boat or vessel shall be forfeited, and may be condemned, in the discretion of the Judge or Justice of the Peace, in the manner provided in section eleven of this act.

License for
rakes or tongs.

SEC. 17. *And be it enacted*, That any resident of this State desiring to use any canoe or other boat in catching or taking oysters with rakes or tongs for sale, in any of the waters of this State, shall first obtain by application to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the county wherein he may reside, a license therefor, and such license shall have effect from the first day of September in the year in which they may have been obtained, to the twenty-fifth day of April, inclusive, next succeeding; provided, that such license shall not authorize the use of said canoe or boat in taking or catching oysters in any creek, cove, river, inlet, bay or sound within the limits of any county other than that wherein the license shall have been granted, and that the boundaries of counties bordering on navigable waters shall be strictly construed so as not to permit the residents of either county to take or catch oysters beyond the middle of the dividing channel; provided, that nothing in this section shall be so construed as to prevent the citizens of Queen Anne's and Kent counties from using the waters of Chester river in common, or the citizens of Dorchester and Wicomico counties from using the waters of the