

in Chesapeake bay, in the county most accessible or convenient, to be dealt with according to law; provided that nothing in this act shall be construed to prohibit vessels from seeking harbor in any waters of this State.

SEC. 37. *And be it enacted*, That all oysters taken from any of the waters of this State shall be culled upon their natural bed or bar as taken; any person or persons violating the provisions of this section, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon trial and conviction before any Judge or Justice of the Peace of this State having jurisdiction, shall be fined not less than fifty nor more than three hundred dollars, or sentenced to the House of Correction for a term not less than three months nor more than one year, or forfeit the canoe or vessel used in said violation.

To be culled.

SEC. 38. *And be it enacted*, That any person or persons convicted under any of the provisions of this act, shall in all cases have the right of an appeal.

Appeal.

SEC. 39. *And be it enacted*, That nothing in this act shall be construed so as to apply to Worcester county.

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SEC. 40. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the Commanders of the steamers to diligently watch and guard and to arrest all persons dredging, tonging or scooping without license, and the Commanders of the sailing vessels shall likewise guard and arrest all persons for any violation of the law in this respect; and the Commanders of both the sloops and steamers shall keep their boats on duty at all times, both by day and night, so far as possible, Sunday included, and shall cruise near to the line dividing the grounds they are assigned to guard from the dredging grounds, and shall harbor as near said line as it is possible for them to do, and shall remain on board their boats at all times, unless disabled by sickness or excused by the Com-

Duty to watch.

At all times.