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Tax to be

charged.

be charged equally to the buyer and seller, but to be paid weekly to the Comptroller of the State Treasury or his agent by the buyer; the certificate given the general measurer and inspector shall be by him mailed weekly to the Comptroller or his agent, and in case the amounts of money shown to be due be not paid in one week thereafter to the Comptroller or his agent, which is hereby required to be done, the property of the parties so indebted may be levied on and sold by the said Comptroller or his agent, as in cases of taxes in default, without other process of law; the tax of three-quarters of a cent per bushel hereby levied is also made a charge on oysters sold by commission merchants and others selling by less than the cargo, and also a tax of three cents per barrel containing not more than three bushels; on oysters in bags a tax of two cents per bag containing not more than two bushels; and all transportation companies carrying oysters in the shell consigned to Baltimore shall furnish to the oyster inspector or collector of oyster tax a copy of his manifest, showing the number of bushels on board on arrival of steamer and to whom consigned, and the special inspectors are charged with the duty of seeing that proper returns are made for the purposes of this Act by such commission merchants or retailers; and in the performance of the duty the said special inspectors are authorized and directed to visit the places where oysters less than cargoes are sold and get from such sellers a statement, under oath, as to the number of bushels sold from time to time, and to return to the general measurers and inspectors a certificate thereof, to be forwarded to the Comptroller, as is required in the case of the certificates for cargoes, and the payments of the amounts so found to be due shall be similarly enforced. All such special inspectors may be removed at any time by the commander for neglect or malfeasance in office, and said commander shall report to the Governor any neglect of a general measurer or inspector. The commander of the State Fishery Force shall furnish to each of said special inspectors certifcates in book form, supplied with carbon paper, so that eath of said triplicate certificates shall be exactly the same. form of the certificate shall be as follows:

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Statement to

be given under oath.

Form of cer-

I hereby certify that I have this day inspected for Cartain——, Schooner———, a cargo of oysters, sold to———,