

oath, as provided in section 4, of violating this act, or any of the provisions of this act, and bring said person or persons before a justice of the peace in said county, to be dealt with as herein provided.

Repeal.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act, shall be and are hereby repealed.

Effective.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall not go into effect and be operative until the fifteenth day of March in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and not then unless it shall have received the assent of and be approved by a majority of the legal and duly qualified votes of Somerset county, which

Question to be voted on.

shall be ascertained at the election to be held in Somerset county on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November, eighteen hundred and ninety-four, for the selection of a representative for the first congressional district of Maryland, to the United States House of Representatives; and in order to ascertain the sense of such voters as to whether this act shall go into effect

Duty of sheriff.

and be operative or not, the sheriff of Somerset county shall, at least two weeks before said election, give notice by advertisement in all the newspapers then printed and published in Somerset county, of the passage of this act and its provisions for submitting its adoption or not to the approval of the majority of the legal qualified voters of said county who may cast their ballots at said election; and said sheriff is also hereby authorized and directed to have printed and distributed at the several polling places in the several election districts of Somerset county, such number of ballots, with the words printed on them, "For the act prohibiting the catching of oysters with

Ballots.

scoop, scrape, dredge or any similar instrument in Tangier sound, in Somerset county, passed at the January session of the General Assembly of Maryland, eighteen hundred and ninety-four," and such number of ballots with the words, "Against the act prohibiting the catching of oysters with scoop, scrape, dredge or any similar instrument in Tangier sound, in Somerset county, passed at the January session of the General Assembly of Maryland, eighteen hundred and ninety-four," as may be necessary for all the voters of Somerset county; and at the said election, the judges of election shall furnish and have at the several polling places ballot-boxes in which only ballots cast under the provisions of this act shall be deposited, and after closing the polls on said day of election, the said ballots shall be counted and returned to the clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset county, as in other elec-