

Force; provided, however, that the provisions of this Act shall only apply to the officers and crews of the State Fishery Force employed on steamers and vessels owned by the State of Maryland. And nothing herein shall apply to the officers and crews upon any boat or boats leased or hired by the State.

Approved April 13, 1908.

CHAPTER 228.

AN ACT to authorize and require the Board of Public Works to hire or rent a local guard boat, during the oyster season, for the tonging bottoms of Somerset county, at the mouth of the Wicomico river, and to appoint a commander for said boat.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Board of Public Works shall be and is hereby authorized and required to rent or hire a suitable boat to assist in guarding the tonging bottoms of Somerset county located at or near the mouth of the Wicomico river, or adjacent thereto, and in enforcing the laws pertaining thereto, at a cost not to exceed thirty dollars per month for the hiring of said boat, and to appoint a suitable person to command said boat at a salary of fifty dollars per month, from the first day of September to the 30th day of April following, of each and every successive oyster season; and the commander of said boat shall be authorized to select such number of seamen to serve on said boat as the Board of Public Works shall authorize, not to exceed two in number, at salaries of thirty dollars each per month, during the period of his or their service on said boat; provided, however, that the owner of such boat so hired shall keep the same in good order and repair.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 8, 1908.

CHAPTER 529.

AN ACT to repeal Chapter 367 of the Acts of 1906.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Chapter 367 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland passed at the session of 1906, entitled An Act to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section 46 of Article 72