

River should be transplanted in non-polluted waters before offering for shipment, so as to escape liability under the Pure Food and Drugs Act, June 30, 1908; and

WHEREAS, The said pollution is a direct and serious menace to the health of the inhabitants of Annapolis and vicinity, as well as being objectionable on account of the interstate shipment of oysters from this locality; and

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland, through its large property holdings in the City of Annapolis, largely contributes to the objectionable conditions aforesaid through its use of the sewers of said city; and

WHEREAS, The United States Government, through its institution at the Naval Academy, also largely contributes to the cause of said pollution of said Severn River, and also the said City of Annapolis, and have inaugurated a movement to remedy said conditions by construction of a sewerage disposal plant; therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Board of Public Works of Maryland, be, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered to co-operate with the United States Government and the City of Annapolis for the purpose of having constructed a sewerage disposal plant for said city, and to take such action to this end as may in their judgment and discretion be advisable, proper and necessary.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated from any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the said Board of Public Works; provided, however, that none of the moneys hereby appropriated shall become available until the City of Annapolis shall have first submitted to the said Board of Public Works a legal and binding contract for a proper and sufficient disposal or sewerage plant for the needs of said City and vicinity, and that said City has made financial provision including this appropriation to fully complete and equip said sewerage disposal plant.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 13th, 1914.