

said Article 72 to follow Section 94, and to be designated as Sections 94-A, 94-B and 94-C, providing for resurveys of natural beds and bars by the Board of Shell Fish Commissioners on their own initiative, and for review by the Courts of this State of surveys or resurveys of natural beds and bars, and for condemnation of the rights and interests of lessees of areas within the limits of natural beds and bars as established by such resurveys or review by the Courts, and the oysters belonging to such lessees located thereon.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 83, 84, 89, 90, 93, 98, 103, 104, 105, 112-A and 115-A of Article 72 of the Code of Public General Laws, as enacted by Chapter 711 of the Acts of 1906, entitled "An Act to establish and promote the industry of Oyster Culture in Maryland, to define and mark natural oyster beds, bars and rocks lying under the waters of this State, to prescribe penalties for the infringement of the provisions of this Act, and to add new Sections to Article 72 of the Code of Public General Laws to follow Section 82, and to be designated respectively as Sections 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118 and 119," as amended by Chapter 539 of the Acts of 1912, be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, so as to read as follows:

SEC. 83. Any resident of Maryland shall have the right to plant and cultivate oysters in the waters of this State; such right shall be exercised in the manner prescribed in the following Sections of this Act, and shall be subject to the regulations, provisions and limitations hereinafter set forth, but no corporation or joint stock company shall be permitted to lease or take up, or to acquire by assignment, or otherwise, any lands of the State for oyster planting or cultivation. All natural beds or bars shall be excluded from the operation of this Act, and no person shall be permitted to plant or cultivate oysters thereupon, or in any way to appropriate the same to his own use. The term "natural beds or bars" wherever used in this Act shall hereafter be construed to mean and include all oyster beds and bars under any of the waters of this State whereon the natural growth of oysters is of such abundance that the public have successfully resorted to such beds or bars for a livelihood, whether continuously or at intervals, during any oyster season within five years prior to the time of filing of the application