

office at the date of the enactment of this Charter, shall hold their offices until their successors are elected, or appointed and qualified as herein provided. All ordinances, regulations and resolutions now in force, and not inconsistent with the provisions of this Charter shall remain in force until altered or repealed by competent authority. No provisions of this Charter shall affect any right, lien or liability subsisting at the date of its enactment.

Section 23. This Charter is hereby declared to be a public act, and may be used in evidence in all the courts of this State without proof.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That Sections 571 to 628, inclusive, of Article 16 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Montgomery County," sub-title "Takoma Park," as enacted by Chapter 790 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1912, be and the same are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That all Acts and parts of Acts, laws and parts of laws, ordinances and parts of ordinances, inconsistent herewith or contrary hereto, be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and being passed by a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 13th, 1922.

CHAPTER 543.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section 135B of Article 72 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, title "Oysters," the said section relating to the conservation and preservation of the natural oyster bars in the Chesapeake Bay or its tributaries.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 135B of Article 72 of the Annotated Code of Maryland be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, so as to read as follows: