

as said sections were amended by Chapter 541 of the Acts of 1916, and to add a new section to said Article, to be known as Section 185FF and to follow immediately after Section 185F of said Article, providing for the protection of fish in Dorchester County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 185F and 185G of Article 10 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Dorchester County," sub-title "Fish," as said sections were amended by Chapter 541 of the Acts of 1916, be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, and that a new section be and it is hereby added to said Article, to be known as Section 185FF and to follow immediately after Section 185F of said Article; all of said sections to read as follows:

185F. The owner or owners or occupants of any land bordering on either side of the Transquakin River or any of its tributaries within a line drawn from Irish Creek to Transquakin Point (said line marking the mouth of the said Transquakin River) to the head of the Transquakin River, shall in every year have the exclusive right and privilege to select half the area from natural shore covered by said waters lying directly in front of the property, extending to but not beyond the middle of said river, which he or they respectively own or occupy, for the purpose of setting gill nets, fike nets, or set nets of any kind or description. Provided, however, that gill nets, fike nets, or set nets shall not be less than 200 yards apart. The mesh of nets of any description shall not be less than three inches in the mesh. Said net or nets shall not extend into or across any channel. This Act shall also apply in entirety to all waters of the Chicacomico, Big and Little Black Water rivers.

185FF. For the purpose of protecting and propagating game fish and fishes and preventing unauthorized persons from killing or taking same, no person or persons unless he or she is a bona fide resident of Dorchester County, shall fish for, take, capture or destroy or attempt to fish for, take, capture or destroy by means of hook and line of any description in the fresh waters of Dorchester County, which shall embrace all ponds, Big and Little Black Water, Transquakin and Chicacomico rivers and their tributaries, any game fish of any description without first having obtained a license so to do from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Dorchester County.