

CHAPTER 359.

AN ACT to regulate the hunting and shooting of ducks in the waters of the Patuxent River and its tributaries and to provide for the licensing and regulating of duck blinds in said waters, and to repeal Chapter 488 of the Acts of 1920 relating to duck blinds.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That any person desiring to erect and maintain a duck blind on the shores of the Patuxent River and its tributaries or in the waters thereof shall apply to the clerk of the Court of the county in which the blind is to be located, annually, for a license and to pay the said clerk the sum of five (\$5.00) dollars for each blind erected or to be erected, and a fee of twenty-five cents for issuing the same.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That no person shall erect a blind in the waters opposite the property of another without the written permission of the owner before the first day of November of each year or within three hundred yards of another licensed blind, the distance to be measured by shore line, if blind is on the shore, or by air line, if erected in the water.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That whenever any blind shall be erected in water five feet deep, or more, at mean low tide, all stakes or posts used in erecting said blind shall be removed by the owner at close of each duck season.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be unlawful to shoot ducks on any days except Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays of each week during the open season.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That all licenses and fines accruing under this Act shall be paid to the County Commissioners of the county wherein license was issued or fine imposed, said receipts to be applied to the road fund of said county.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be unlawful for any person to shoot from any licensed blind without the consent of the licensee, and anyone violating the provisions of this Act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not less than five (\$5.00) dollars nor more than twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars, and in default of payment of said fine be imprisoned in the county jail not less than five days.