WHEREAS, it is deemed desirable to extend the provisions of the statutes of the State relating to co-operative associations to the fishery industry so that persons engaged therein may organize co-operative associations under the provisions of Sections 419 to 446, both inclusive, of Article 23 of the Code of Public General Laws.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That one new section be and the same is hereby added to Article 23 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, title "Corporations," sub-title "Co-operative Associations," to be known as Section 419A and to follow immediately after Section 419 of said Article 23, and to read as follows:

Section 419A. The provisions of this sub-title (Section 419 to 446, both inclusive) and amendments thereto, are hereby extended to catching, taking, harvesting, cultivating, farming, propagating, processing, marketing and distributing fishery products, which term shall include fish, shell fish, crustacea, sea weeds and other aquatic forms of animal and vegetable life, and the products and by-products thereof, and the term "Agricultural Products" wherever the same appears in this sub-title shall be deemed to include "fishery products" as herein defined.

SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect June 1, 1935.

Approved April 29, 1935.

CHAPTER 530.

AN ACT to add one new section to Article 72 of the Annotated Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, title "Oysters," sub-title "Oyster Culture," to follow immediately after Section 98 and to be known as Section 98A, and to provide that the Conservation Department of the State may lease any portion of the barren bottoms or depleted natural beds or bars of the State to the Maryland Rehabilitation Corporation, to any non-profit corporation designated by any agency of the Federal Government or to any cooperative association of oystermen, and providing that no part of the natural beds or bars of the State may be so leased until the Conservation Department shall have determined, after receiving the