

follow immediately after Section 4, said sub-title to be known as "Department of Tidewater Fisheries", and said Sections to be known as Sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of said Article, and to read as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF TIDEWATER FISHERIES

5. There is hereby created a State department to regulate and control the tidewater fisheries to be known as the Commission of Tidewater Fisheries. Said Commission shall be composed of three members, citizens and residents of this State, to be appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, not more than two of whom shall be of the same political party. The Governor shall designate one member as Chairman, and the member so designated shall retain such status during his term of office. The initial members of said Commission shall be those persons constituting the Conservation Commission on the effective date of this Act. Upon the expiration of the respective terms of such persons on June 1, 1943, one member shall be appointed for a term of two years, one for a term of four years and one for a term of six years, and thereafter the appointments shall be for terms of six years. The Governor shall have power to remove any member for cause, and to fill any vacancy for the unexpired portion of the term. In all cases the decision of a majority of the members of the Commission shall be binding. The salary of the Chairman of the Commission shall be five thousand dollars a year, and the salary of each of the other members shall be three thousand dollars a year and they shall each be entitled to receive in addition thereto the necessary travelling expenses and disbursements incurred by them in the discharge of their official duties.

6. The Commission shall have general supervisory power, regulation and control over the following natural resources of the State, within the bounds of tidewater, viz: fish, crabs, terrapin, oysters, clams and other shellfish. The Commission shall exercise the power conferred and perform the duties imposed by all laws now in force or hereafter enacted relating to any of the above subjects, and particularly the provisions of Articles 39 and 72 of the Code relating to the tidewater fisheries. The Commission is authorized to operate, sell, buy, lease, exchange, rent or repair such vehicles, vessels, boats, nets and other equipment as may be necessary for its work, and to provide such arms, ammunition and equipment as may be required for the vehicles, vessels and boats owned by it