

CHAPTER 600

(Senate Bill 144)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 72 of Article 39 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Fish and Fisheries," sub-title "Concurrent Law on the Potomac River," extending the time permitted for gill net fishing in Charles County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland.* That Section 72 of Article 39 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Fish and Fisheries," sub-title "Concurrent Law on the Potomac River," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

72. The use of any sunken anchored gill net is absolutely prohibited in the waters of the Potomac River at all times, and the use of all gill nets known as floating or drift nets and all stake gill nets is prohibited at all times of the year except during the shad and herring season *and in Charles County,* AND ST. MARY'S COUNTIES, *Maryland, except in October, November and December.* AND NOVEMBER. Any person, firm or corporation violating the provisions of this section shall on conviction thereof before any justice of the peace of any county of this State, most accessible, forfeit said net or nets, or device, together with all boats, vessels and tackle used in the violation of this section and be fined a sum of not less than Three Hundred Dollars and not more than One Thousand Dollars, or to be subject to both fine and forfeiture, in the discretion of the justice of the peace trying the same.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the provisions of this Act shall not take effect until a similar act becomes effective in the State of Virginia, whereupon the Governor of Maryland shall issue a proclamation declaring the provisions of this Act to be effective.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1951.

Approved April 30, 1951.

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.