

~~misdemeanor under Section 57 of this Article.~~ Any person or persons found guilty of a violation of any of the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, upon conviction thereof, be imprisoned not exceeding six months or fined not exceeding five hundred dollars, or both, in the discretion of the court.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1959.

Approved April 8, 1959.

CHAPTER 390

(Senate Bill 341)

AN ACT to add new Sections 689A to 689C, inclusive, to Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Natural Resources", sub-title "Gas and Oil", sub-heading "In General", to follow immediately after Section 689 thereof, and to be under the new sub-heading "Interstate Oil and Gas Compact", to authorize the State of Maryland to join other States as a member of the Interstate Compact to Conserve Oil and Gas, and relating generally thereto.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Sections 689A to 689C, inclusive, be and the same are hereby added to Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Natural Resources", sub-title "Gas and Oil", sub-heading "In General", to follow immediately after Section 689 thereof, and to be under the new sub-heading "Interstate Oil and Gas Compact", and to read as follows:

Interstate Oil and Gas Compact

689A. *The Governor of the State of Maryland is hereby authorized and directed, for and in the name of the State of Maryland, to join with other states in the Interstate Compact to Conserve Oil and Gas, which was executed in the city of Dallas, Texas, on the 16th day of February, 1935, and is now deposited with the Department of State of the United States, and which has been extended with the consent of Congress to September 1, 1959.*

689B. *The Governor of Maryland is further authorized and empowered, for and in the name of the State, to execute agreements for the further extension of the expiration date of the said Interstate Oil Compact and to determine if and when it shall be for the best interest of the State of Maryland to withdraw from said Compact, upon sixty days' notice as provided by its terms. In the event the Governor shall determine that the state should withdraw from said Compact, he shall have full power and authority to give neces-*

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.