after on or before July 1, of each year. The trading stamp company shall pay a registration fee of twenty-five dollars to the Secretary of State at the time of filing each such registration statement.

- 243. No trading stamp company shall cease or suspend the redemption of trading stamps in this State without filing with the Secretary of State at least ninety days' prior written notice of its intention so to do and concurrently mailing a copy of such notice to each retailer within this State which has at any time theretofore within one year issued trading stamps which the company is obligated to redeem.
- 244. Any person violating any provision of this sub-title shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars.
- SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That Sections 564 to 573, inclusive, of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments", sub-title "Trade—Trading Stamps", be and the same are hereby repealed.
- SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1959.

Approved April 28, 1959.

CHAPTER 651

(House Bill 532)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 331 of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Natural Resources", sub-title "Crabs, Lobster and Terrapins", prohibiting unlicensed persons from carrying trot lines having a total combined length of more than 100 yards, and relating generally to taking and catching of crabs in this State.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 331 of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Natural Resources", sub-title "Crabs, Lobster and Terrapins", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

331. It shall be lawful for any person or persons to take or catch crabs by scrape, dip net and trot line in any of the waters of the State and in no other manner or by any other means, except that in Kent and Queen Anne's counties soft crabs may be taken by means of hand-drawn net scrape, and in Anne Arundel County, except within the waters of the Severn River, hard or soft crabs may be taken by

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.