

resident, if such person or corporation has initially purchased such clams from a licensed soft shell clam dealer, whether or not said clams are purchased for sale, retail or wholesale.

(f) Any provisions adopted by the Commission of Tidewater Fisheries for the revocation and suspension of any hydraulic, mechanical or other dredge license, dealer's or other soft shell clam license, shall be premised on the grounds of (1) the making of any materially false statement in the application for such license and (2) the conviction of the licensee or his agents of any violation of the provisions of this sub-title or of the rules and regulations of the Commission of Tidewater Fisheries.

(g) An inspection tax of Ten Cents (10c) per United States Standard bushel is hereby levied upon all soft shell clams caught within the limits of this County.

(h) All monies received under the provisions of this section shall be paid to the Comptroller of the Treasury, or his agent, and shall be credited to the Department of Tidewater Fisheries to be used for the development of soft shell clam markets and sales.

(i) The Commission of Tidewater Fisheries and its Inspectors are authorized and empowered to seize any and all soft shell clams which may be caught, sold, offered for sale, or held in possession in violation of any provision of this section or of the rules and regulations adopted by the Commission of Tidewater Fisheries. Such confiscated soft shell clams shall be disposed of to the best interests of the State.

(j) Any person violating any provision of Section 715B or the rules and regulations of the Commission of Tidewater Fisheries adopted pursuant thereto, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) nor more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) or be imprisoned in the House of Correction not less than three months nor more than six months, or be both fined and imprisoned at the discretion of the Court; and in addition thereto, any boat, dredge or other device, truck, trailer, or any other thing appurtenant thereto, used in connection with the violation, may be declared forfeited to the State of Maryland and delivered to the Commission of Tidewater Fisheries for such disposition thereof as, in the opinion of said Commission, may be most advantageous to the State. All monies received from such fines, and from the disposition of any forfeited boat, dredge, or other device, truck, trailer, or any other thing appurtenant thereto, when in such disposition a sale thereof by the State of Maryland is involved, shall be paid to the Comptroller of the Treasury, or his agent.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1961.

Approved May 3, 1961.