

CIRCUIT COURT, DE NOVO AND WITH THE SAME RIGHT OF APPEAL FROM THE DECISION OF THE SAID CIRCUIT COURT.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1961.

Approved May 3, 1961.

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CHAPTER 679

(House Bill 58)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, sub-section (i) of Section 696 and ~~sub-sections (e) and (d)~~ SUB-SECTION (C) of Section 708 of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Natural Resources", sub-title "Oysters and Clams", to change the definition of a natural oyster bed OR CLAM BED, RELATING TO A SURVEY OF A SUBMERGED AREA OF THIS STATE, RELATING TO LEASES OR NATURAL OYSTER BARS OR CLAM BARS, and to change the applicable law with respect to resurveys of State waters.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Sub-section (i) of Section 696 and ~~Sub-sections (e) and (d)~~ SUB-SECTION (C) of Section 708 of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Natural Resources", sub-title "Oysters and Clams", be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, and all to read as follows:

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(i) Natural oyster bar.—Any submerged oyster bar, reef, rock or area represented as an oyster bar on the charts of the Oyster Survey of 1906 to 1912, or amendments thereto, or any such area which has been or shall have been declared by any circuit court to be a natural oyster bar, or any area on which the Department of Tidewater Fisheries has planted or shall have planted oysters or shells [; all such areas, bars, rocks or reefs, being delineated on charts in the office of the Department of Tidewater Fisheries]. *Upon the completion of a resurvey of any submerged area of the waters of the State under Section 708 of this Article to determine the positions and extent of natural oyster bars, such completed resurvey, as far as the classification of bottoms is concerned, shall supersede the Oyster Survey of 1906 to 1912 or any decision of any circuit court rendered prior to the completed resurvey as to the area resurveyed.* NO NATURAL OYSTER OR CLAM BAR AS MAY BE DEFINED IN THIS ARTICLE SHALL EVER BE LEASED WHETHER REPRESENTED ON THE OYSTER SURVEY OF

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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.