

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Archer, from Committee on Fish and Game, reported favorably, with amendment,

SENATE BILL No. 118, BY MR. ARCHER.

SUBJECT: FISH AND FISHERIES—HEAD OF BAY.

Amendment proposed by Mr. Archer: "Strike out the whole of Section 3 and substitute in lieu thereof the following:

'Sec. 3. No person, partnership or corporation shall at any time be allowed to fish with purse or buck nets at any point in the Chesapeake Bay or its tributaries above or north of the line drawn easterly from Thomas Point on the Western Shore to Kent Point on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. No person, partnership or corporation shall fish with purse or buck nets within the State of Maryland south of the line aforesaid without first obtaining a license so to do from the Comptroller of the Treasury, and then only from June 15 to November 1 of each year, and the applicant shall pay the sum of fifty dollars (\$50) for each and every purse or buck net owned and operated by him within said waters, whereupon the Comptroller shall issue to such applicant a license or licenses to operate such purse or buck nets, and all moneys arising from said licenses shall be paid into the State Treasury to the credit of the Conservation Fund; and any person, partnership or corporation failing to procure such a license and violating the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction shall be subject to the fines and penalties imposed by Section 5 of this Article. It shall be unlawful to use a purse or buck net with a mesh less than three inches for the catching of food fish, or a purse or buck net with a mesh less than two inches for the catching of menhaden. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, no one shall be permitted to use purse or buck nets in any of the tributaries of the Chesapeake Bay south of or below said line from Thomas Point to Kent Point, excepting the Potomac River.'" [*Which was read and adopted.*] [*Which favorable report was adopted, which was read the second time and ordered printed for a third reading.*]

Also favorably, with amendments,

SENATE BILL No. 556, BY MR. ARCHER.

SUBJECT: WILD FOWL, BIRDS AND GAME.

Amendments proposed by Mr. Archer:

"In line 4 of Section 14 of the printed Bill, strike out the words 'first day of March' and insert in lieu thereof the words 'fifteenth day of March.'"