SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1. 1963.

Approved April 30, 1963.

## CHAPTER 586

(Senate Bill 490)

AN ACT to direct the Governor to place an item in the Supplementary Budget REQUEST THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS, FROM CONTINGENCY FUNDS AT ITS DISPOSAL, TO PROVIDE FUNDS for the purchase from the leaseholder of the oysters on a tract of 150 acres of bottom in Piney Island Swash in the Manokin River.; AND IMPOSING A TAX ON OYSTERS CAUGHT FROM THIS TRACT OF LAND AFTER IT HAS BEEN PURCHASED BY THE STATE, WHICH TAX SHALL BE DISCONTINUED FROM AND AFTER THE TIME THE PROCEEDS OF THE TAX EQUAL THE AMOUNT OF THE PURCHASE PRICE.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Governor is directed to place an item in the Supplementary Budget, THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS IS REQUESTED, FROM THE CONTINGENCY FUNDS AT ITS DISPOSAL, TO PROVIDE FUNDS in the amount of \$49,770, to purchase from the leaseholder the oysters on a tract of 150 acres of bottom in Piney Island Swash, Manokin River, now under lease to George T. Harrison, Richard Webster, et al.

SEC. 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, THAT IN ADDITION TO THE TAXES ON OYSTERS IMPOSED BY SECTION 711 OF ARTICLE 66C OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1957 EDITION AS AMENDED), A TAX IS IMPOSED ON OYSTERS CAUGHT FROM THE TRACT OF LAND DESCRIBED IN THIS ACT. THIS TAX SHALL BE AT THE RATE OF FIFTY CENTS (50c) PER BUSHEL AND IT APPLIES TO ALL OYSTERS TAKEN FROM THIS TRACT OF LAND FROM AND AFTER THE TIME IT IS PURCHASED BY THE STATE. THE PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO THE COLLECTION OF THE TAXES IMPOSED BY SAID SECTION 711 ALSO APPLY TO THE COLLECTION OF THE TAX IMPOSED BY THIS ACT. THE IMPOSITION OF THE TAX SHALL CONTINUE UNTIL THE PROCEEDS OF THE TAX EQUAL THE AMOUNT OF THE PURCHASE PRICE. AT SUCH TIME THE TAX IMPOSED ON SUCH OYSTERS BY THIS ACT SHALL BE DISCONTINUED AND NO LONGER IMPOSED AND COLLECTED.

SEC. 2. 3. And be it further enacted, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and having been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of the members elected to each of the two houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

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