

struction and repairs created by the Washington County School Bond Act of 1963.

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

Approved April 30, 1963.

CHAPTER 694
(House Bill 393)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 713 (e) and 714 (e) of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1962 Supplement), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Oysters and Clams," to remove restrictions on the size of conveyors on boats licensed for the taking of soft shell clams in Queen Anne's County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Sections 713 (e) and 714 (e) of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1962 Supplement), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Oysters and Clams," be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:*

713.

(e) Each boat or rig shall have but one conveyor or elevator for taking soft shell clams. Each boat or rig may be equipped with not more than one blade and one water manifold, the width between the exterior jets attached thereto not to exceed 36 inches. The water jet pipe at each end of the manifold shall be set parallel to the median vertical longitudinal plane of the dredge, or inward toward the center thereof [except in the waters of Queen Anne's County where each boat shall have but one conveyor or elevator not to exceed 19 feet in length, measured from axle to axle].

All hydraulic or mechanical clam dredges and boats operating under the provisions of this section shall have properly installed adequate mufflers on all motors and engines used in the operation of said boat or hydraulic or mechanical clam dredge. The Commission of Tidewater Fisheries may require such modifications to the hydraulic clam dredge and/or licensed dredge boats and rigs as may be demonstrated to be in the public interest through research in the Department of Research and Education and recommended for adoption to the latter agency. Any person violating any provision of this subsection shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than ten dollars (\$10.00) nor more than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).

714.

(e) Each boat or rig shall have but one conveyor or elevator for taking soft shell clams [, not to exceed nineteen (19) feet in length, measured from axle to axle. Each boat or rig] and may be equipped with not more than one blade and one water manifold, the width