title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Fish and Fisheries," subheading "Part 2. Tidal Waters," to require marking with a paddle or board containing certain information the submerged gear of any nets set in waters of the State.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 266(a) of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Fish and Fisheries," subheading "Part 2. Tidal Waters," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

266.(a)

It shall be unlawful to set or use any anchored gill net or fyke or hoop net or any line of such nets which (1) has a greater length than one-third the distance across the waters of the bay, sound, river, creek, cove, or inlet where it is set or (2) is so set or used as to impede or obstruct navigation on or to block in any way the main channel of such bay, sound, river, creek, cove or inlet. The outer end of the submerged gear of any nets referred to herein shall be marked by means of a paddle or board which shall show the name, address and license number of the owners of the net.

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

Approved April 17, 1963.

CHAPTER 508

(House Bill 766)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 329 of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1962 Supplement), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Fish and Fisheries," subheading "Part 3. Crabs, Lobster and Terrapins," to change the penalty which may be imposed on persons violating the crab regulations promulgated by the Department of Tidewater Fisheries.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 329 of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1962 Supplement), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Fish and Fisheries," subheading "Part 3. Crabs, Lobster and Terrapins," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

329.

No such rules or regulations of the Department of Tidewater Fisheries shall become effective under Section 328 until said Department has held public hearings on same, and such public hearings shall be advertised as to time, place and purpose in one newspaper of general daily circulation in the State, and at least in two newspapers circulated in the tidewater counties for two succes-