

*importation of any shellfish from any source outside of the State of Maryland, and to quarantine any area within the State of Maryland populated by shellfish infected or affected or suspected of being infected or affected by any of the conditions enumerated herein, and to establish by such rules and regulations the penalties for the violation of any one or more of such rules and regulations. No such penalty shall exceed a fine of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), or imprisonment for a period of one year, or both fine and imprisonment, together with the confiscation, in addition to such fine or imprisonment, or both, of all gear and equipment, whether afloat or ashore, used in perpetrating the violation or violations, all in the discretion of the court.*

13E. (a) *The Department shall have charge of the inspection of fish, crabs, terrapin, oysters, clams and other aquatic resources wherever caught or sold in the State of Maryland and of the enforcement of the cull laws and other protective measures. Nothing in this section is intended in any way to interfere with any inspections made by the State Department of Health.*

(b) *It shall be the duty of the Department, through its auditor, inspectors or other employees, to audit the books of the various persons, firms and corporations packing or dealing in resources within the jurisdiction of the Department including any takers of the same who may ship directly to market, for the purpose of determining quantities taken and such other data as may be needed for reporting and accounting to the appropriate State officials.*

13F. *Any person, firm or corporation buying or selling oyster shells shall report to the Department, at such times as the Department may prescribe, each purchase or sale of oyster shells, stating the number of bushels purchased or sold, the date of sale, the name and address of the other party to the transaction, and such other information as the Department may prescribe.*

13G. *Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of packing or dealing in any of the resources within the jurisdiction of the Department shall keep accurate books, statements and accounts showing all the details of said business; and all such books, statements and accounts shall be open to inspection at all reasonable hours, by the duly authorized agents of the Department. Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of packing or dealing in any of the resources within the jurisdiction of the Department and every person licensed by the Department to take or catch the same, shall make such reports as may be required from time to time by the Department, on forms prescribed by it.*

13H. *Any person aggrieved by a final decision of the Department, whether such decision is affirmative or negative in form, or by any rule or regulation of the Department, may file a sworn petition with the Commission, asking for a hearing on the decision, or rule or regulation. The petition shall set forth the grounds and reasons for the petitioner's complaint. The Chairman shall set a time and place for the hearing and shall notify the petitioner. At the hearing, the petitioner and any other interested parties may appear in person or by counsel, present witnesses and submit evidence. The Chairman or any member of the Commission shall have the power to administer*