

registered or certified mail to every owner of any leasehold areas adjoining the leasehold area to be dredged under a permit.

(i) Any person who shall dredge oysters in Wicomico County without a permit as provided for in this Section, upon conviction, shall be fined not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500). Any captain of a boat on which any dredge is located and for which no permit has been obtained, upon conviction, shall be fined not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500), and the captain shall not be allowed to dredge under a permit for at least one year after the date of the violation.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1965.

Approved May 4, 1965.

CHAPTER 847

(House Bill 524)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 652 (b) of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Supplement), title "Health," subtitle "Sanitary Districts," to provide that in Dorchester County 25% of the owners of a given parcel of land may petition the governing body of the district on which the parcel of land is situated to have said parcel considered an individual sanitary district.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 652 (b) of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Supplement), title "Health," subtitle "Sanitary Districts," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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(b) Whenever twenty-five property owners, *and also, in Dorchester County 25% of the property owners,* residing in any locality in a county, shall in writing petition the commission to have said locality (the boundaries whereof shall be definitely stated in said petition) constituted as a new sanitary district or added to an existing sanitary district to which such locality is contiguous, the commission, if it approves, shall cause to be made a preliminary engineering survey of the project to determine the feasibility and probable cost of providing such area with utilities, whether water, sewer or otherwise. If the commission disapproves of the project or is unable or unwilling to undertake or obtain such preliminary engineering survey, it shall so inform the petitioners by mail giving to each of said petitioners an estimate of the cost of making or obtaining such a preliminary engineering survey, and no further action shall be taken on said project unless and until the persons signing the petition therefor cause the estimated cost of such preliminary engineering survey to be paid to the commission, which shall then proceed to make or obtain such preliminary engineering survey. Upon any locality becoming a sanitary district or a part