

CHAPTER 917

(House Bill 36)

~~AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 708 (w) of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Oysters and Clams," to change the season for taking or catching oysters for sale from leased areas in St. Mary's County, CHARLES, CALVERT, ANNE ARUNDEL, TALBOT, WICOMICO AND SOMERSET COUNTIES, and to repeal provisions for giving of notice to dredge or hand scrape oysters from leased grounds during a certain period of the year.~~

AN ACT TO REPEAL AND RE-ENACT, WITH AMENDMENTS, SECTIONS 705 (A) AND (B) AND 708 (W) OF ARTICLE 66C OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1957 EDITION AND 1964 SUPPLEMENT), TITLE "NATURAL RESOURCES," SUBTITLE "OYSTERS AND CLAMS," TO CHANGE THE SEASON FOR TAKING OR CATCHING OYSTERS FOR SALE FROM LEASED AREAS IN SOME COUNTIES OF THE STATE, TO CHANGE PROVISIONS RELATING TO OYSTER PACKERS' AND DEALERS' LICENSES, TO PERMIT PACKERS AND DEALERS TO POSSESS SUCH OYSTERS AT ANY TIME OF THE YEAR AND TO REPEAL PROVISIONS FOR GIVING OF NOTICE TO DREDGE OR HAND-SCRAPE OYSTERS FROM LEASED GROUNDS AT A CERTAIN TIME OF THE YEAR.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 708 (w) of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Oysters and Clams," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows: THAT SECTIONS 705 (A) AND (B) AND 708 (W) OF ARTICLE 66C OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1957 EDITION AND 1964 SUPPLEMENT), TITLE "NATURAL RESOURCES," SUBTITLE "OYSTERS AND CLAMS," BE AND THEY ARE HEREBY REPEALED AND RE-ENACTED, WITH AMENDMENTS, TO READ AS FOLLOWS:*

705.

(A) IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON, FIRM OR CORPORATION HAVING A FIXED PLACE OF BUSINESS, BUYING OYSTERS AND EMPLOYING LABOR TO PREPARE THEM FOR MARKET TO ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF BUYING, SELLING, MARKETING, PACKING OR CANNING OYSTERS WITHOUT FIRST TAKING OUT A LICENSE TO ENGAGE IN SUCH BUSINESS BY APPLICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT. WHERE ANY SUCH PERSON, FIRM OR CORPORATION OPERATES MORE THAN ONE HOUSE FOR THE BUYING, SELLING, MARKETING, PACKING OR CANNING OF OYSTERS, A SEPARATE LICENSE SHALL BE OBTAINED FOR EACH HOUSE IN WHICH OYSTERS ARE SHUCKED OR OTHERWISE PREPARED FOR MARKET; SUCH LICENSE TO BE IN THE NATURE AND FORM OF A CON-