

such operator or owner, and unless such operator or owner, or both, has previously given or shall immediately give and thereafter maintain, for a period of three (3) years, proof of financial responsibility; provided notice of such suspension shall be sent by the Department to such operator and owner not less than 10 days prior to the effective date of such suspension and shall state the amount required as security.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1966.

Approved May 6, 1966.

CHAPTER 524

(Senate Bill 300)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 6 (A), (c), (e) and (f) of Article 14B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Supplement), title "State Boat Act", to remove the requirement that the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs shall be the office of record for transactions involving numbered boats and for sums of money owing on such boats to permit the Department to record such transactions and amounts, to remove the authority to issue transfer certificates of numbers for boats, TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF BOATS, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS, AND TO REQUIRE THE ISSUANCE AND DISPLAY OF REGISTRATION CARDS WITH REGARD THERETO, all under the State Boat Act, and correcting an error therein.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 6 (A), (c), (e) and (f) of Article 14B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Supplement), title "State Boat Act", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

6.

(A) THE OWNER OF EVERY VESSEL REQUIRED TO BE NUMBERED BY THIS ARTICLE SHALL FILE AN APPLICATION FOR A NUMBER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CHESAPEAKE BAY AFFAIRS. THE APPLICATION SHALL BE ON FORMS APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT. THE APPLICATION SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE REQUISITE FEE AND SHALL BE SIGNED BY THE OWNER, OR OWNERS, OF THE VESSEL. ALL BOATS USED IN GOVERNMENTAL SERVICE AND ALL BOATS OWNED BY ELEEMOSYNARY ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION SHALL BE EXEMPTED FROM PAYMENT OF ANY TITLE TAX.

(c) All certificates heretofore issued under the provisions of this section in the years 1960, 1961 and 1962 shall expire on December 31, 1962. All certificates issued in the year 1963 shall be valid for a period of not more than three years and shall expire on December