

with the ability of the person so employed, be paid an annual salary not to exceed \$10,000.00]. *The full-time permanent employees of the Board including the Chief Clerk shall be qualified, employed and compensated in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Merit Board of Prince George's County and subject to its privileges and responsibilities, provided that, however, (1) The Chief Clerk of said Board shall be considered the department head for purposes of such rules and regulations, (2) There shall be two registers for positions under such department head, one for each of the two leading political parties, AND (3) The positions filled from each register shall not exceed the other by more than one, (4) Appointments to positions from the register for the political party which enjoys a majority on the Board shall be subject to approval of the Board as a whole, and (5) Appointments to positions from the other register shall be subject to approval of the minority member of the Board.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1967.*

Passed over the Governor's veto March 25, 1967.

CHAPTER 138

(House Bill 104)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 700(1) of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1966 Supplement), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Oysters and Clams," to extend the oyster tonging season in Talbot County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 700(1) of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1966 Supplement), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Oysters and Clams," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:*

700.

(1) It shall be unlawful to take or catch oysters by tongs or patent tongs except during the tonging season which shall begin on the fifteenth day of September in each year and end on the thirty-first day of March next succeeding, except in the following waters where the tonging season shall be as follows:

Worcester County January 1 to December 31, inclusive.

Talbot County IN THE WATERS
OF TALBOT COUNTY NOT
WORKED IN COMMON WITH
ANY OTHER COUNTY

September 15, to April 15, inclusive.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by*