to be used, and make further oath or affirmation that he is the bona fide owner of such boat; that there is no lien on said boat held by nonresident of Maryland; that he has been a resident of Anne Arundel County and held a tonger's license under Section 700 of this Article for a period of five (5) years next preceding to the making of such application, and that the information he has furnished concerning the rig is true.

- (b) Upon the receipt of the application and upon making such oath, the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs shall issue a hydraulic or mechanical dredge license for the taking of soft shell clams for such boat or rig and shall receive therefor twenty-five dollars (\$25.) as a license fee. Licenses issued hereunder shall be valid for twelve (12) months from July 1st to June thirtieth.
- The master, captain, operator and crew of such hydraulic or mechanical dredge shall have been a bona fide resident of Anne Arundel County for a period of five (5) years next preceding his application for a license hereunder, and he shall have had a tonging license as provided in Section 700 of this Article, for a period of five (5) years next preceding his application for a license hereunder; except however that nothing in this subsection shall apply to an applicant sixteen (16) years of age or older and coming out of high school or college, wishing to take or catch soft shell clams under this section. However, he shall make oath to the satisfaction of the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs that he has just come out of high school or college, and have a certificate therefor, and further that he meet all of the requirements under this subsection (a) hereof, except residency and the holding of a tonger's license, such applicant however, must have been a bona fide resident of Anne Arundel County for a period of one (1) year next preceding the making of this application.
- (2) The master, captain or operator of any hydraulic or mechanical dredge shall be the actual owner thereof, or a member of the immediate family of the licensee; provided that this subtitle shall not apply to deny to any licensee prior to the enactment hereof the right to apply for, be issued and operate the same number of licenses issued to such person during the license year of July 1, 1958, to June 30, 1959.
- (d) It shall be lawful for the owner of any licensed hydraulic or mechanical dredge, boat or rig, whenever said owner shall sell and convey by bill of sale for a bona fide consideration such boat or rig to any person, to transfer said license to said purchaser with said boat, provided said purchaser shall be a bona fide resident of Anne Arundel County and held a tonger's license as provided under Section 700 of this Article for a period of five years next preceding said date of sale in which said dredge or rig is licensed or is to be licensed for at least one year. Such license so transferred shall entitle said purchaser to the same privileges of taking or catching soft shell clams with hydraulic or mechanical dredge that the original owner had before such assignment; provided both seller and transferor appear before the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs and make oath to all facts, matters and things made in the application for such license, and that the purchaser pay said Department the sum of five dollars (\$5.00), and said Department shall then certify on the license that the same has been validly transferred and the transfer fee paid.