

CHAPTER 556

(House Bill 688)

AN ACT to add new Section 700(n) to Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1970 Replacement Volume), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Oysters and Clams," to follow immediately after Section 700(m) thereof, to permit patent and hand tonging, but not dredging, in a certain part of the Talbot County area of Eastern Bay.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Section 700(n) be and it is hereby added to Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1970 Replacement Volume), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Oysters and Clams," to follow immediately after Section 700(m) thereof, and to read as follows:

700.

(n) Patent and hand tonging, but not dredging, shall be permitted in Talbot County waters within the following bounds:

Beginning in Eastern Bay at a point on the Talbot-Queen Anne's County line which is intersected by a straight line drawn from Lowes Point to the Bloody Point Lighthouse, from there in a northeasterly direction along the Talbot-Queen Anne's County line to the point where a straight line drawn from the Long Point buoy to the Wades Point bell-buoy (R "2A") intersects the County line, from there in a southeasterly direction to the Wades Point bell-buoy (R "2A"), from there towards Wades Point for a distance of six-tenths (.6) of a mile to the six foot depth contour line off the Eastern Bay shore of Talbot County, from there along the contour line (approximately one-half mile from the shore) in a southwesterly direction to a point where the contour line intersects a straight line drawn from the easternmost corner of the Lowes Point oyster bar to the northernmost corner of the Lowes Point oyster bar, from there in a northwesterly direction to the northernmost corner of the Lowes Point oyster bar, from there in a southwesterly straight line to a straight line drawn from Lowes Point to the Bloody Point Lighthouse and being approximately one and three-quarter miles in a northwesterly direction from Lowes Point, and from thence to the point of beginning.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1971.

Approved May 17, 1971.

CHAPTER 557

(House Bill 713)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 24 of Article 75 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume), title "Pleadings, Practice and Process at Law," subtitle