

168.

If any provision of this subtitle or the application thereof to any person, court, or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of the subtitle which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this subtitle are severable.

169.

This subtitle shall be so construed as to effectuate its general purpose to make uniform the law of those states which enact it.

170.

This subtitle may be cited as the Uniform Certification of Questions of Law Act.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1972.*

Approved May 26, 1972.

CHAPTER 428

(Senate Bill 558)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 698(b) of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Supplement), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Oysters and Clams," ~~reducing~~ CONCERNING the ~~fee~~ FEES for licenses to take oysters or clams. ~~by dredge or handscrape.~~

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 698(b) of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Supplement), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Oysters and Clams," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:*

698.

(b) No person shall take or catch oysters or clams for market in the waters of this State who has not been duly licensed as provided in the regulations of the Fish and Wildlife Administration. No license shall be required under the provisions of this subtitle for any person to take or catch up to one bushel of oysters from the natural oyster bars of the State for his own use and consumption, and not for sale or marketing provided that such oysters may be taken only in such places and at such times as may be prescribed by regulations of the Fish and Wildlife Administration. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this article, fees for issuance of licenses to take or catch oysters or clams for commercial purposes by means enumerated in Sections 698(a), 712, 712A and 712B shall be as follows: