

SECTION 33. *And be it further enacted*, That Section 2(d) of Article 33B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1971 Supplement) title "Environmental Service," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

§ 2. Creation and organization.

(d) Duties of secretary; copies of records and documents.—The secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the board of directors and shall be custodian of all books, documents, and papers filed with the Service and of the minute book or journal of the Service and its official seal. He may cause copies to be made of all minutes and other records and documents of the Service and give certificates under the official seal of the Service to the effect that the copies are true copies. All persons dealing with the Service may rely upon the certificates, and such copies when certified shall be received as evidence in any court of law or equity, or before any judge, [justice of the peace,] or other tribunal in this State, in the same manner and with the same effect as if the original books, papers, entries, records, or proceedings were themselves produced.

SECTION 34. *And be it further enacted*, That Sections 3, 4, 9, 10, and 11 of Article 34 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume), title "Estrays—Vessels Adrift—Drift Logs," subtitles "Estrays," and "Vessels Adrift," be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

§ 3. Proof of ownership; payment of expenses.

If the owner of an estray demands it and shall prove by one credible witness examined before [a justice of the peace of] *any court in* the county his title thereto, the same shall be delivered to him upon his paying the expenses incurred by the person taking up and keeping the same, including the cost of advertising.

§ 4. Sale of estrays.

If no person claims an estray within thirty days after the same shall be so advertised as aforesaid, then the person taking up the same shall apply to [a justice of the peace of] *the court of competent jurisdiction in* the county, who upon being satisfied that the notices heretofore directed have been given, shall order him to sell the same at public auction on ten days' notice to be set up at three of the most public places of the neighborhood, and after deducting from the proceeds of sale all expenses incident to taking up, keeping, advertising and selling the same, the residue shall be retained by the person selling the same, unless the owner of such estray shall within twelve months from time of sale claim such residue and prove before [some justice of the peace] *a judge* that he is entitled thereto.

§ 9. Notice and publication.

When any person shall discover, take up and secure any flatboat or other vessel driven from any place of mooring, landing, harbor or river, or from any other vessel, he shall, within ten days thereafter, give notice thereof to [some justice of the peace] *the court of competent jurisdiction* for the county where such flatboat or other vessel is taken up and secured, and the [justice] *judge* shall deliver to the party giving such notice an advertisement describing in the best man-