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4-1005. DEVICES FOR CATCHING OYSTERS AND CLAMS;
PATENT TONGS; STRING CULTURE OF OYSTERS.

(A) DEVICES FOR CATCHING OYSTERS AND CLAMS GENERALLY. - A PERSON MAY CATCH OYSTERS OR CLAMS IN THE WATERS OF THE STATE ONLY BY RAKES, TONGS, PATENT TONGS, DREDGES, HANDSCRAPES, CULTCH MATERIAL SUSPENDED ON STRINGS, IN TRAYS, IN BAGS, OR SIMILAR DEVICES. SOFT-SHELL CLAMS MAY BE CAUGHT BY HYDRAULIC OR MECHANICAL DREDGES OR RIGS.

(B) DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZED TO REGULATE SIZE AND WEIGHT OF PATENT TONGS. - THE DEPARTMENT MAY MAKE UNIFORM THE SIZE AND WEIGHT OF PATENT TONGS IN WATERS WHERE PATENT TONGS ARE PERMITTED. HOWEVER, ANY PERSON USING ANY SIZE OR WEIGHT PATENT TONGS ON JUNE 1, 1964, MAY CONTINUE TO USE THEM.

(C) STRING CULTURE OF OYSTER AUTHORIZED. - A PERSON MAY CATCH OYSTER SPAT IN THE WATERS OF THE STATE BY SUSPENDED MEANS SUCH AS CULTCH MATERIAL ON STRINGS, TRAYS, BAGS, OR SIMILAR DEVICES, WHICH DO NOT TOUCH THE BOTTOM AND DO NOT INTERFERE WITH NAVIGATION.

REVISOR'S NOTE: Subsection (a) presently appears as Article 66C, section 698(a) of the Code, as amended by Chapter 427, S.B. 737, Acts of 1973. The next to last provision of section 698(a) is proposed for deletion since the substance of this provision is set forth in part III of this subtitle. Language is added to include other instruments legal for catching oysters and clams and for which a license may be obtained.

Subsection (b) is derived from Article 66C, section 13A(i) and is set forth here for organizational purposes. Section 13A is proposed for repeal in subtitle 2 of this title.

Subsection (c) presently appears as Article 66C, section 698(i) (1) of the Code.

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4-1006. CATCHING OYSTERS OR CLAMS IN CERTAIN AREAS
PROHIBITED.