shall take effect July 1, 1977.

Approved April 29, 1977.

CHAPTER 232

(Senate Bill 1095)

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary's and Charles Counties - Seafood White Perch

FOR the purpose of providing that in St. Mary's and Charles Counties any seafood the catching of white perch is legal if it is caught in the Potomac River in compliance with the Potomac River Compact; and rules and regulations adopted by the Potomac Potomac River Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources Section 4-102 Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1976 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 4-102 of Article - Natural Resources, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

4-102.

- (A) Any local or general law of the state which sets or regulates minimum and maximum sizes of fish, or regulates or prohibits the sale of fish, applies whether the fish are caught in the waters of the state or in the waters of any other state, county, or territory and brought into the state. Any fine or penalty prescribed for violation of these laws applies to the same extent.
- (B) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LOCAL OR GENERAL LAW, IN CHARLES AND ST. MARY'S COUNTIES ANY SEAFOOD THE CATCHING OF WHITE PERCH IS LEGAL IF IT IS CAUGHT IN THE POTOMAC RIVER IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE POTOMAC RIVER COMPACT AND ANY RULE OR REGULATION ADOPTED BY THE POTOMAC RIVER COMMISSION.