SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1984.

Approved May 8, 1984.

CHAPTER 170

(House Bill 224)

AN ACT concerning

Lobsters - Management

FOR the purpose of repealing a prohibition pertaining to the possession, sale, offering for sale, or transportation of certain lobsters and instead providing that the Department of Natural Resources may, by regulation, manage the lobster resource subject to certain notice and public hearing requirements.

BY repealing

Article - Natural Resources Section 4-901 Annotated Code of Maryland (1983 Replacement Volume and 1983 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Natural Resources Section 4-901 Annotated Code of Maryland (1983 Replacement Volume and 1983 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

[4-901.

A person may not possess, sell, offer to sell, or transport any egg bearing or scraped lobster or any lobster measuring less than three and three-sixteenths inches from the rear end of the eye socket along a line parallel to the center line of the body shell (carapace) to the rear of the body shell (carapace).

4-901.

(A) THE DEPARTMENT MAY ADOPT RULES AND REGULATIONS TO: