

[(c) If excess lottery revenues from the prior fiscal year do not provide funds in an amount sufficient to fully credit the Special Fund as required under this section, the Governor may request a deficiency appropriation during the next legislative session.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, has been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted. It shall remain effective through June 30, ~~2003~~ 2002, and, at the end of June 30, ~~2003~~ 2002, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved May 15, 2001.

CHAPTER 513

(House Bill 921)

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources - Methods for Catching Oysters and Spat

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Natural Resources to adopt certain regulations that allow the use of certain methods by certain persons in certain areas to catch spat for aquaculture certain purposes; requiring a person to use certain methods when catching oyster spat in the waters of the State limiting the persons who may use certain methods to catch oyster spat in the waters of the State; altering the methods that persons may use when catching oyster spat in the waters of the State; authorizing a person to catch oysters or clams in certain manners subject to regulations adopted by the Department; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to catching oysters, clams, and spat.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources

Section 4-1005

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume)

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

Article - Natural Resources

4-1005.

(a) Subject to [restrictions promulgated] REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT pursuant to this subtitle, a person may catch oysters or clams in the