

CHAPTER 501.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section 1 of Chapter 583 of the Acts of 1900, the said amendments giving to residents of St. Mary's County equal rights with citizens of Charles County to take and catch fish in those parts of the Wicomico River and its tributaries which lie between said Counties.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 1 of Chapter 583 of the Acts of 1900 be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows:

1. It shall not be lawful for any person or persons except bona fide residents of Charles County to take or catch terrapins, or to haul a seine, or set a fish net in any of the inlets or tributaries of the Potomac River, lying in Charles County, nor within five hundred (500) yards of the beach on the Potomac River, between Bryan's Point, in Charles County, and Cheseldine's Island, in St. Mary's County, nor in the Wicomico River or its tributaries; provided, that in those parts of the Wicomico River and its tributaries lying between Charles and St. Mary's Counties, bona fide residents of St. Mary's County shall have the same right to take and catch terrapins, or to haul a seine, or set a fish net, as is hereby conferred upon bona fide residents of Charles County; and provided, that persons owning or occupying lands on the Wicomico River, or on the Potomac River or any tributaries thereof in Charles County, shall have the right to rent or otherwise grant to non-residents of the County the privilege of fishing on their shores or within the prohibited line on their water front; provided, further, that any landowner desiring or intending to rent or grant the privilege to fish on his water front shall ascertain and distinctly mark the line dividing his land and water front from that of the adjoining landowner, and the manner of marking said dividing line shall be by fixing a substantial stake or buoy immediately on his dividing line five hundred (500) yards from the beach, and another in the same line half-way between the beach and the outer stake or buoy; and when the water front is on a creek, the centre of the creek shall be marked in a similar manner to prevent an infringement on the rights of persons owning the opposite shore.