

expense of the grade crossing elimination and one-half of the same shall be paid by the railroad company or companies, and one-half by the State Roads Commission, the share of the State Roads Commission to be paid out of the receipts from the gasoline tax imposed by Section 212A of Article 56 of the 1929 Supplement to the Annotated Code of the Public General Laws.

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CHAPTER 517.

An ACT to add a new section to Article 72 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1929 Supplement), title "Oysters," sub-title "Potomac," said new section to be known as Section 75A and to follow immediately after Section 75 of said Article prohibiting the taking or catching of oysters in the Potomac River by means of a dredge or scrape, or any instrument other than ordinary shaft tongs or patent tongs.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That a new section be and it is hereby added to Article 72 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1929 Supplement), title "Oysters," sub-title "Potomac," said new section to be known as Section 75A, to follow immediately after Section 75 of said Article, and to read as follows:

75A. It shall be unlawful for any person to take or catch oysters from the Potomac River by means of a dredge or scrape, or any instrument other than ordinary shaft or patent tongs at any season of the year. Any person violating the provisions of this act, upon conviction thereof, shall be confined in the penitentiary for not less than one year nor more than three years, or may be confined in jail not exceeding one year, and fined not less than one hundred dollars, nor more than one thousand dollars, either or both, in the discretion of the court or jury trying the case. In any prosecution of the violation of this section against the master or commander of a vessel or any of his crew, or any person on board thereof, proof that such vessel was equipped with a crank, dredge or scrape shall be prima facie evidence of the violation of this section. Any vessel, boat or other craft, her tackle, apparel, anchor, cables, sails, rigging and appurtenances, and any dredge, scrape or