

the restrictions applicable to boats engaged in dredging oysters in order to permit at certain times, **EXCEPT IN DORCHESTER AND TALBOT COUNTY DREDGING WATERS** such a boat to have and use mechanical motive power supplied by the auxiliary yawl boat carried on the dredge boat; and to authorize the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs to regulate such dredging and the catch from such dredging.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, The Section 701 (a) of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Oysters and Clams," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:*

701.

(a) It shall be unlawful for the owner, captain or master, or any member of the crew of any boat capable of self-propulsion by any motor, turbine or other engine attached to said boat, to have on board such boat, or in tow, or to permit on board or in tow, any scoop, scrape, dredge or similar instrument used in dredging, or any winch, spool, winder or other tackle used in dredging, unless said boat be licensed to dredge on leased land, or unless said boat be engaged in taking seed oysters under the surveillance and with the permission of the Department of Tidewater Fisheries. *Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section and subtitle, it shall be lawful, EXCEPT IN DORCHESTER AND TALBOT COUNTY DREDGING WATERS for any boat engaged in dredging operations, on any Monday or Tuesday, to have and use mechanical motive power supplied by the auxiliary yawl boat carried on the dredge boat. As to any such Monday and Tuesday and the use of an auxiliary yawl boat thereon, the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs by regulation may put a maximum limit upon the total catch of either or both days, for the purpose of assuring the quality, conservation, and continued supply of oysters in the areas affected.*

SEC. 2. **AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, THAT THIS ACT SHALL EXPIRE AUTOMATICALLY AND WITHOUT ANY FURTHER ACTION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON MARCH 15, 1967.**

~~Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.*~~

SEC. 23. **AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, THAT THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT JUNE 1, 1966.**

Approved May 6, 1966.