

ment), title "Natural Resources", sub-title "Oysters and Clams", sub-heading "Soft Shell Clams"; providing that all boats operating hydraulic or mechanical dredges or devices IN QUEEN ANNE'S OR TALBOT COUNTIES under the provisions of Section 663B shall be equipped with a muffler AND A PROPELLER GUARD; and providing further a penalty for violation.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 663A (e) of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1956 Supplement), title "Natural Resources", sub-title "Oysters and Clams", sub-heading "Soft Shell Clams", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

663A.

(e) Measurements of rig.—Each boat or rig shall have but one conveyor or elevator for taking soft shell clams, not to exceed nineteen (19) feet in length, measured from axle to axle. Each boat or rig may be equipped with not more than one blade and one water manifold each not exceeding thirty-six (36) inches in width.

All hydraulic or mechanical clam dredges and boats OPERATING IN THE WATERS OF QUEEN ANNE'S OR TALBOT COUNTIES licensed and operating under the provisions of Section 663B shall have properly installed A PROPELLER GUARD AND an adequate muffler on all motors and engines used in the operation of said boat or hydraulic or mechanical clam dredge. Any person violating any provision of this sub-section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof be fined not less than Ten Dollars (\$10.00) nor more than Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1957.

Approved April 10, 1957.

CHAPTER 496

(Senate Bill 553)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 663A (i) AND TO ADD SECTION 663AA, TO FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY AFTER SECTION 663A THEREOF of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1956 Supplement), title "Natural Resources", sub-title "Oysters and Clams", sub-heading "Soft Shell Clams", providing for certain prohibited areas and other additional restrictions for the taking of soft shelled clams in Talbot County, AND QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTIES.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 663A (i) of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Mary-

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.