

or Dorchester County for not less than six months immediately preceding the first day of the tonging season. In order to take or catch oysters in the waters of Talbot County, a person who is sixty-five years of age or over must have resided within the limits of Talbot County for not less than six months immediately preceding the first day of the tonging season.

(b) [The county commissioners of any county are hereby authorized to give to any woman who has no visible means of support special written permission which shall constitute a license, to take or catch oysters with tongs from any natural oyster bar of this State, and no fee shall be charged for such permission.] *No woman and no person more than sixty-four years of age shall be required to pay the license fee specified in subsections (d) and (g) of this section.*

702.

(a) Any person who shall employ any boat in taking or catching oysters by dredge from the waters of the Chesapeake Bay, as defined in this subtitle, shall first obtain a Chesapeake Bay dredging license for such boat [; provided, however, that no such person shall be deemed to be in default under the provisions of this subsection until the lapse of thirty days from the beginning of the season where he shall take or catch such oysters].

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1964.*

Approved April 7, 1964.

CHAPTER 177

(House Bill 37)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 705(a) of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Natural Resources", subtitle "Oysters and Clams", to reduce the quantity of shucked oyster shells that oyster packers and dealers shall give to the State of Maryland, and correcting an error therein.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 705(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Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Natural Resources", subtitle "Oysters and Clams", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:*

705.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation having a fixed place of business, buying oysters and employing labor to prepare them for market to engage in the business of buying, selling, marketing, packing or canning oysters without first taking out a license to engage in such business by application to the [Commission of Tidewater Fisheries of Maryland] *Department*. Where any such person, firm or corporation operates more than one house for the buying, selling, marketing, packing or canning of oysters, a separate