Time in force.

this State; which license shall hold good for one year, but shall only authorize the catching of oysters between the first of October and the first of May; but it shall be lawful for the owner of any such boat licensed, whenever said owner shall sell and convey by bill of sale for a bona-fide consideration, said boat unto any person who has been a resident of the State of Maryland for at least one year, to transfer the said license to said vendee with said boat; which license when transferred, shall entitle said vendee with said boat to the same privileges for catching oysters in the waters of this State that the original vendor or assignor had before said assignment; provided, the said vendee and assignee shall appear before the Comptroller of the Treasury and make oath before him to all the facts, matters, things and prerequisites required of said original vendor or assignor, before taking out such license, upon which said license said Comptroller shall certify the fact of said vendee or assignee having taken said oath, and for which, said assignee or vendee shall pay the sum of five dollars, to be paid to the State of Maryland.

Transferred

Make oath.

Produce Custom-house enrollment

Sec. 3. Be it, enacted, That the owner of such boat shall make outh before the Comptroller or his clerk. that he is the bona fide owner of such boat to be described in the license; that he has been a resident of the State for the time before mentioned; that there is no lien on said boat held by a non-resident; that the said boat is not held with an intention to violate the provisions of this law; such applicant shall produce before the Comptroller, at the time of such application, the Custom-House enrollment or license of such boat, and if such boat is under Custom-House tonnage, the owner shall swear as to her tonnage; the master of such boat shall make oath before the Comptroller or his clerk, that he has been a resident of the State of Maryland for twelve months next preceding the time of taking such oath.

SEC. 4. And be it enacted, That before granting such license, the Comptroller shall receive for it, from the applicant, at the rate of three dollars per ton, for every ton the boat may measure; the license shall be exhibited whenever called for by any officer of the State of Maryland.

Charges.