

## CHAP. 518.

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AN ACT making the negligent and malicious burning of brush or grass, or anything else, on land in Wicomico county, Maryland, whereby damage is done to the property of others, a misdemeanor.

Guilty of  
misdemeanor

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That any one who shall wilfully, negligently and maliciously set fire to any brush, grass, or anything else, on his own land or the land of another, or shall wilfully, negligently or maliciously allow fire to escape in Wicomico county, Maryland, and by reason of such negligence or malice the property of any other person or persons shall be injured or destroyed, shall be a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be subject to a fine of not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars, and be committed to the county jail until fine and costs are paid, or not over six months in jail, or both, in the discretion of the Court or of the justice of the peace; but any proceeding under this section shall not bar any person or persons whose property is injured or destroyed from proceeding for the recovery of damages by a civil suit before a justice of the peace or the Circuit Court for Wicomico county, Maryland.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 11, 1902.

## CHAPTER 519.

AN ACT to fix the rate of interest to be paid purchasers at tax sales of property erroneously sold.

Rate of  
interest to be  
charged.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That where property is erroneously sold for taxes in any of the counties of the State of Maryland through an error in description, or for any other reason, that the parties purchasing said property at tax sales shall be entitled to the same rate of interest as if the sale were made in due and proper form, and whenever an error is discovered at any tax sale, as aforesaid, the County Treasurer or the Commissioners of any county in which there is no treasurer shall make payment to the purchaser of the property sold at said tax sale upon his transferring to them his certificate of purchase at such sale from any funds in their hands.

SEC. 2. *Be it enacted,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 11, 1902.