

SEC. 2. *Be it enacted*, That if either of the parties, so making or keeping a joint fence, shall not comply with the provisions of the preceding section, and shall refuse or delay to make or repair the said fence within twenty days' after notice, in writing, shall be given to him or his agent, overseer, or tenant, upon proof thereof, before a justice of the peace, the said justice may under his hand and seal, authorize the party aggrieved by such refusal or delay to make or repair the said fence as above required, and for so doing he shall be reimbursed all costs and reasonable expenses necessarily incurred, to be recovered from the party so delaying or refusing in the same manner as debts of like amount are recoverable. Refusal or delay repairs

SEC. 3. *Be it enacted*, That if joint fences are not made and kept in repair according to the provisions of the first section of this act, the party aggrieved instead of pursuing the remedy prescribed in the preceding section, may discontinue said fence by giving three months' notice in writing to the party refusing or delaying to make or repair the same, or his tenant, overseer or agent; in all other cases (unless by mutual consent) twelve months' notice shall be required to discontinue any joint fence. Joint fences not kept in repair.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage. In force

Approved April 11th, 1874.

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CHAPTER 338.

AN ACT to provide for the taxation of dogs in Montgomery county.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That every dog in Montgomery county, except dogs under four months of age, shall be liable to an annual tax of one dollar for each and every dog, and two dollars for each and every bitch, com- Annual tax.