

each year, to canvass thoroughly the districts in order to ascertain the number of dogs, the owners of same and also the other facts required of the constable in the reports referred to in the preceding section to the County Commissioners, upon the payment of the tax by the owner of a dog the constable shall give him a receipt in the form in this act prescribed, and also a tag to be worn by the dog and the constable shall report to the County Commissioners on or before the first day of every month in the same manner and form aforesaid, and shall at the same time pay to the county treasurer all the tax funds they have collected, less twenty-five per centum of said amount for their services; they shall also state in their monthly reports those who have failed to pay the tax on their dogs as required by this act.

1912, ch. 210, sec. 5.

110. If any constable shall neglect or refuse to perform his duty as set forth in this act he shall be subject to prosecution for malfeasance in office, and to removal from office.

1912, ch. 210, sec. 6. 1914, ch. 172, sec. 6.

111. The County Treasurer shall place the tax so collected to the credit of a fund to be called "The Dog Fund" of Howard County; but if there remains in the County Treasury to the credit of the "Dog Fund" on the first day of January of each year a sum more than sufficient to pay the awards for damages for domestic fowls and animals made by the County Commissioners prior to that date, such surplus shall upon the order of the Commissioners in their discretion, be applied to macadamizing public roads or the building of sidewalks in any village in the County and in the district from which the fund is raised. And provided, further, that said dog fund as collected shall be entered and kept as collected from each of the election districts of Howard County, and awards for damages shall be paid out and accounted for in respect to each district and no fund collected from any particular district shall be liable or applied to awards for damages in any other district, and provided, further, that should the amount collected in any one of the election districts of Howard County in any one year be insufficient to pay in full awards for damages sustained during said year, whatever awards for damages remain unpaid at the end of said year shall be paid as soon as sufficient funds shall have been collected in the next year in the order of their priority.

1912, ch. 210, sec. 7.

112. The County Commissioners shall direct the constables to kill any dog for which said tax is not paid before the first day of April in each year, and for such service the commissioners may allow such compensation as they may deem adequate, provided it be paid from the tax collected on dogs, and any person opposing or in any way hindering any constable in killing any dog in the performance of his duty shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars nor less than ten dollars and costs,