

sioners of the number of dogs and sluts he may keep as a pack or kennel, and shall obtain for each animal a metal tag marked "Kennel Tag."

1910, ch. 565, sec. 12 (p. 1154).

125. All cities or towns in said Talbot County in which dogs and sluts are taxed by municipal ordinances are hereby exempted from the operation of the provisions of this Act.

1910, ch. 565, sec. 13 (p. 1154).

126. On or before the first day of each month the County Treasurer of said Talbot County shall place the amount of the tax on dogs and sluts collected by him and remaining in his hands, less ten per centum of said amount, which is payable to the constables as provided for under Section 115 of this subtitle, and less an additional ten per centum payable to said County Treasurer, as provided for under Section 116 of this subtitle, to the credit of a fund to be known as the "Sheep Fund" of the county; and the Treasurer shall, on or before the first day of April of each year, file in the office of the County Commissioners the books used by him in registering the names of persons from whom he received said tax on dogs and sluts, and at the same time shall also file a list of the owners of dogs and sluts who have not paid the tax due from them, attaching thereto a statement showing the number of dogs and sluts for which no owners could be found.

1910, ch. 565, sec. 14 (p. 1155).

127. The tax collected from the owners of dogs or sluts shall be devoted first to the remuneration of inhabitants of the county for losses sustained by sheep or poultry destroyed or injured by dogs or sluts; but if there remain in the county treasury to the credit of the "Sheep Fund" on the first day of September of each year a sum more than sufficient to pay the awards for damages to sheep or poultry made by the Commissioners prior to that date, such surplus shall, upon the order of the Commissioners of Talbot County, be by them devoted to the purposes of education.

1910, ch. 565, sec. 15 (p. 1155).

128. When an inhabitant of Talbot County shall have any sheep or poultry destroyed or injured by dogs or sluts, he may apply to any justice of the peace of said county, who shall appoint three disinterested persons as appraisers to view and appraise the damages by him sustained, and they, or a majority of them, shall under oath state in writing to the County Commissioners the number of sheep or poultry killed, the character and extent of the injury done to the flock or any portion thereof, and the amount of damages sustained by the owner, and in like manner they shall give a general description of both the destroyed and injured sheep or poultry; and both the appraisers and the owner of the sheep or poultry shall make oath that they believe the sheep or poultry to have been destroyed or injured by dogs or sluts; and they, or either of them, if the dogs or sluts by which the damage was done be known to them, or either of