

rated towns in their respective counties, and make such rules and regulations for repairing, cleaning, mending and perfecting the same, and providing for the payment of the cost of the same, as they may deem necessary; they shall also have power to levy a tax or license fee upon dogs and bitches owned, kept or harbored within their respective counties, and to provide for the enrollment of said dogs and bitches, and the collection of the tax or license fee thereon; and out of the tax or license fees so collected they may provide for reimbursing owners of sheep or cattle for losses sustained by the killing of sheep or cattle by dogs and bitches other than those owned, kept or harbored by the owner of said sheep or cattle; they may make all necessary rules and regulations for allowing and paying bounties for the killing of hawks, owls, crows, minks, foxes, wild-cats and other and like destructive and harmful wild animals and birds; they may make all necessary rules and regulations for the erection or removal of gates and fences across or obstructing the public highways in their respective counties.

1880, ch. 210.

3. In case any office of county commissioner shall become vacant in any county by death, resignation or otherwise, the governor, if such vacancy shall occur during the session of the senate shall, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, appoint; and if such vacancy shall occur during the recess of the senate, he shall appoint a proper person or proper persons to fill such vacancy or vacancies; and the nomination of the person or persons thus appointed during such recess, or of some other person in his or their place, shall be made to the senate within thirty days after the next meeting of the legislature.

Handy et al v. Hopkins et al, 59 Md. 157.

P. G. L., (1860,) art. 28, sec. 2. 1804, ch. 73, secs. 3-6.

4. They may sue and be sued, and may sue for any injury done to the property of the county, or to recover possession thereof, or may be sued by any claimant of such property.

Ibid. sec. 3. 1853, ch. 372. 1854, ch. 297.

5. The number of county commissioners in each county shall be as fixed by the code of local laws for each county.