

provisions hereof, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1937.

Approved May 18, 1937.

CHAPTER 255.

AN ACT to repeal Section 256 of Article 2 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Anne Arundel County", sub-title "Dogs", and to enact in lieu thereof 22 new sections, to be known as Sections 256 to 256U, providing for the licensing of dogs, the appointment of dog wardens, the payment of damages caused by dogs and for the establishment and maintenance of dog pounds in Anne Arundel County.

WHEREAS, The purpose of this Act is to afford protection to persons and their property, to charge owners of dogs with full responsibility for such ownership, while at the same time it endeavors to ensure protection and fair treatment for man's best friend, the dog, who, although eloquent in his own language, of necessity stands mute before any court sitting in judgment on him; therefore any reasonable doubt in administering this Act shall be resolved in favor of any dog whose liberty or life is at stake; therefore

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 256 of Article 2 of the Code of Public Local Laws (1930 Edition), title "Anne Arundel County", sub-title "Dogs", be and it is hereby repealed, and that 22 new sections, to be known as Sections 256 to 256U, be and they are hereby enacted in lieu thereof.

256. For the purpose of this sub-title, and unless otherwise required by the context:

(a) The words "person" or "owner", includes individuals, co-partnerships, associations and corporations; the singular includes the plural; and the masculine, the feminine and neuter.

(b) The word "livestock", includes only horses and other draft animals, cattle, sheep, goats, swine, and enclosed domestic rabbits and hares.

(c) The word "poultry", includes domestic fowl only.