

the keeping of dogs and bitches in the town of Centreville.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 56 of Article 18 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Queen Anne's County," sub-title "Centreville," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, and that a new section be and it is hereby added to said Article, to be known as Section 56A, to follow immediately after Section 56 of said Article, and all to read as follows:

56. The Town Commissioners of Centreville, Queen Anne's County, a municipal corporation, is hereby authorized, directed and empowered to regulate the keeping of dogs and bitches, and the number thereof to be kept, in the corporate limits of the town of Centreville; to fix a tax or license fee for such dogs and bitches it allows in said town; to pass any rules and regulations in reference to dogs and bitches when any dog or bitch is found in or near the corporate limits of said town suffering with rabies or other dangerous disease; to destroy any and all dogs and bitches, whose owners do not comply with the regulations and ordinances of said Town Commissioners; to destroy any and all stray dogs and bitches without owners; to fix a fine for failure to comply with any and all regulations and ordinances passed by said Town Commissioners of Centreville in reference to dogs and bitches, said fines to be imposed after trial by any justice of the peace in the town of Centreville or by the Police Magistrate of Queen Anne's County; and to pass any and all ordinances, rules and regulations that may be necessary to carry out the authority hereby conferred on said Town Commissioners of Centreville.

56A. The authority and power conferred on the Town Commissioners of Centreville by Section 56 of this Article shall in no wise be lessened, altered, abridged or repealed by any general law of the State of Maryland or by any local law for Queen Anne's County, which is now in force or may hereafter be passed; the intention of this act being that the authority and power hereby conferred on the town Commissioners of Centreville is to be considered as an additional and concurrent authority and power to and with any general law of the State of Maryland and any local law for Queen Anne's County relating to the subject mat-