

Chapter 471.

AN ACT to protect the waters of springs, streams or rivers from any source which may be used to supply any town or city in Harford county for domestic and other purposes by water companies from pollution, and to protect their other property.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That if any person shall place, cast or throw into any stream, spring or reservoir in Harford county from which any water company or town or city in this said county obtains water for domestic use or other purposes, any dead body or carcass of any animal whatever, or cast or throw into said water any thing calculated to obstruct or hinder the flow of said water in the pipes of said company, or in any manner cause said water to become impure or unfit for such service for a distance of not less than three miles on said stream above the place whence such water is taken, he or they each and severally shall forfeit and pay a sum of not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars, one half to the informer and the other half to the city or town in which such water works are situated, or imprisonment in the county jail not less than ten or more than thirty days, or both, at the discretion of the court; said fines to be recovered by action of debt in the name of the state before a justice of the peace.

SEC. 2. *Be it enacted,* That this act shall take effect from and after the date of its passage.

Polluting the
waters.

Penalty.

Effective.

Approved April 8, 1884.