

## ARTICLE XVI.

## MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

## CHAPTER 717.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Chapter 135 of the Acts of 1908, entitled An Act providing for the taxation of dogs in Montgomery county, and creating a fund out of which owners of domestic fowls or animals killed or injured by dogs may be reimbursed for the loss of the same, and furnishing revenue for the macadamizing of public roads in said county, and to provide for the treatment of indigent persons bitten by mad animals by the Pasteur or other treatment, so as to read as follows:

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That all owners of dogs born before the first of January in each year, in Montgomery county, shall pay to the county an annual tax of one dollar for each male dog and two dollars for each female dog, except keepers of kennels, who shall pay a kennel license of ten dollars per annum for less than twenty-five dogs; between twenty-five and fifty dogs, twenty-five dollars. The dog tax collector shall issue a kennel license, which shall specify the name of the owner, name of kennel and keeper of same, and any dog kept or straying about the premises of any person, with his knowledge, whether such person be the owner or only the occupant of said premises, shall be deemed for the purpose of this section the property of said person, and the tax imposed by this section shall be due and payable on the first day of January of each year, and shall be payable within the first thirty days of each year.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the County Commissioners to provide the constables of the county in their respective districts, with suitable metal tags, having stamped on one side the number thereof and on the other side the year for which they are to be used, to be worn on the neck of the dogs whose owners shall pay to the constables the said tax, and County Commissioners shall provide the constables with blank receipts, in printed form, which, when filled up, shall contain the name of the owner of the dog, his postoffice address, as well as the name of the dog, its sex, breed and color, with the number and date of its tag, and the amount of tax collected, and County Commissioners shall also provide them with blank reports, in printed form, to be made by the constables to the County Commissioners, containing the facts required above to be given in the receipt from the constables to the owner upon the payment of the annual tax aforesaid; the