

such defendant or defendants so appealing from said judgment. If said judgment shall be affirmed by the Court of Appeals, said bond shall thereby be discharged, and title to said property shall then vest in the petitioner as aforesaid, but if said judgment shall be reversed by the Court of Appeals, then said petitioner shall at once abandon and surrender possession of said property or estate of such defendant or defendants, and said bond shall thereupon be liable to such defendant or defendants prevailing upon such appeal, for all damages as aforesaid which have been occasioned to such defendants by the petitioner, in taking possession and using the said property, before the final determination of said appeal.

18. In the event that Section 17 should be declared void for any reason by any Court of last resort, such invalidity of Section 17, if so declared, shall not affect the validity or effect of any of the other Sections of this Act, it hereby being declared to be the intention of the Legislature that, even if Section 17 be declared void, the remainder of the Act shall stand, and to have the same effect as if said Section 17 had never been enacted therewith.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage, provided that nothing in this Act shall in any way affect any condemnation proceedings which shall have been begun before the passage of this Act, but all such proceedings shall be proceeded with and concluded according to the provisions of the condemnation law applicable thereto which was in force at the time said proceedings were begun; except that in any case brought under said Chapter 117 of the Act of 1912 which has not reached the point where a judgment of condemnation shall have been entered before the passage of this Act, the further proceedings in said case shall be in accordance with this Act. And provided further, that nothing in this Act shall repeal or affect any law which may have been or may be enacted by this Legislature to carry out the provisions of Section 40-A of the Constitution.

Approved April 16th, 1914.

CHAPTER 464.

AN ACT to further protect Fur-Bearing Animals in Cecil County, Maryland.