

counsel or advise the breaking open of any enclosure, pound or shelter or any other building wherein animals are impounded under authority of this Act.

(Refusing to Exhibit License Certificate.) For the owner of any dog claimed by him to be licensed to refuse to exhibit the license certificate for the inspection of the Warden when demanded by him.

(Fraudulent Effort to Gain Title.) For any such person through any fraudulent act to deliver to a Warden or a public pound a dog without license tag for the purpose of gaining title to the same.

256S. (Application of Act; Non-Liability and Saving Clause.) This Act shall not apply to a dog owned by a non-resident while passing through the County, nor to dogs brought into the County for a period not exceeding fifteen consecutive days, if brought in for the purpose of breeding, dog show or field trials, provided such dogs are duly licensed in their home city, county or State, and are wearing their license tags or are confined in the immediate charge of the owner or his agent.

This Act shall not apply to dogs actually confined to the premises of incorporated societies devoted to the care or hospital treatment of lost, strayed or homeless animals, or confined to the premises of public or private hospitals devoted to the treatment of sick animals or to a dog being owned by a non-resident of the County and confined temporarily at a licensed boarding kennel. Excepting in cases where their acts are in contravention of other sections of this Act, enforcement officers exercising due diligence shall not be held responsible for failure to extend the immunity from local licensing accorded to dogs covered by this section.

256T. (Board of County Commissioners Power to Make Regulations and to Delegate Authority.) The Board of County Commissioners of Anne Arundel County shall have the power to make, from time to time, in their discretion, all necessary rules, regulations, and provisions for the sale of licenses, the keeping of records and the convenient and effective enforcement of this Act with power to delegate by written contract such enforcement and administration of its various provisions provided, however, that in any such contract it reserves the right to cancel, without previous notice or recourse, such delegation for stated cause or on thirty days' notice without cause.

The Board of County Commissioners of Anne Arundel County shall have the right, in their discretion, to suspend the operation and enforcement of this Act, in the event the General Assembly of Maryland enacts a similar public general law at its 1945 Session.