

1954 Supplement) title "Licenses", sub-title "Dog Licenses in the Counties", increasing the license fee on female dogs in Harford County, and deleting certain obsolete language.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 200 of Article 56 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition and 1954 Supplement) title "Licenses", sub-title "Dog Licenses in the Counties", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

200. (a) On or before [the first day of July, 1918, and on or before] the first day of July of each year [thereafter], the owner of any dog, six months old or over, shall apply either orally or in writing, to the County Treasurer or to the tax collecting officer in said county for a license for each such dog owned or kept by him, and such application shall be accompanied by a fee of One Dollar (\$1.00) for each male dog or each spayed female dog, and a fee of Two Dollars (\$2.00) for each unspayed female dog, and provided that a kennel license shall be issued for Ten Dollars (\$10.00) to persons owning or keeping not in excess of twenty-five dogs and that a kennel license fee of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) shall be issued to persons keeping more than twenty-five dogs. Provided further that in Howard County the fee for all dogs, whether male or female, or spayed, shall be \$1.50. The said license or fee shall be the only license or tax required for the ownership or keeping of said dog or dogs. Such license shall be issued on a form prepared and supplied by the County Commissioners. Such license shall be dated and numbered, and shall contain a description of the dog license. All licenses shall be void upon the first day of July of the following year. The County Commissioners shall also furnish, and the County Treasurer, or tax collecting officer issuing the license, shall issue, with each license, a metal tag. Such tag shall be affixed to a substantial collar. The collar shall be furnished by the owner, and with the tag attached shall at all times be kept on the dog for which the license is issued, except when confined in the kennel or when hunting in charge of an attendant.

(b) (Carroll County.) In Carroll County the fees for dogs shall be determined by the County Commissioners of said County.

(c) (Harford County.) In Harford County all applications for licenses under the provisions of this section shall be made on or before the thirty-first day of December of each year and all licenses issued shall be void upon the thirty-first day of December of the following year. Any license issued under the provisions of this section as of July 1, 1950, shall be valid until December 31, 1951. *The license fee for each unspayed female dog shall be Three Dollars (\$3.00).*

(d) (Montgomery County.) In Montgomery County the fees for dogs shall be determined by the County Council of said County.

(e) (St. Mary's County.) In St. Mary's County the license fee for male dogs and spayed female dogs shall be two dollars (\$2.00) each and for female dogs four dollars (\$4.00) each, payable on or before the thirtieth day of June of each year, and all such licenses issued shall be void upon the thirtieth day of June of the following year. A kennel license shall be issued to the owner of a kennel for a fee of ten dollars (\$10.00), no matter how many dogs are included