

said new sections to be known as Sections 29A to 29E, inclusive, to follow immediately after Section 29 thereof and to be under the new sub-title "Dog Control", providing for the annual anti-rabies vaccination for all dogs at the owner's expense, WITH CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS, the issuance of tags and the keeping of records of the same, providing for the enforcement thereof and to provide penalties for the violation thereof in Wicomico County, and ~~repealing certain inconsistent sections in Article 56 of the Code.~~ PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECT OF THIS ACT UPON ARTICLE 56 OF THE CODE.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That five new sections be and they are hereby added to Article 23 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title Wicomico County", said new sections to be known as Sections 29A to 29E, inclusive, to follow immediately after Section 29 thereof, to be under the new sub-title "Dog Control", and to read as follows:

Dog Control

29A. *The owners of all dogs in Wicomico County shall have their dog or dogs vaccinated with an anti-rabies vaccine approved by the Maryland State Board of Agriculture, during the month of July of each year hereafter or at such period as may be designated by the Maryland State Board of Agriculture, said vaccination to be administered by a licensed veterinarian who shall be paid by the owner of said dog a sum not to exceed ~~Two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$2.50)~~ TWO DOLLARS (\$2.00) for each dog so vaccinated, provided, however, no veterinarian shall make a charge for said vaccine. Any person bringing a dog into Wicomico County from any other County or State shall impound said dog or keep said dog on a leash for a period of thirty (30) days thereafter, unless said owner can furnish satisfactory evidence to the enforcement officer, hereinafter provided for in this sub-title, that said dog has been vaccinated within thirty (30) days from the time of entry into said Wicomico County. Any person bringing said dog into Wicomico County shall within ten (10) days thereafter have said dog vaccinated as provided above, even during the time prescribed for impounding said dog or keeping the same on a leash; PROVIDED THAT NOTHING HEREIN SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO REQUIRE THE VACCINATION OF DOGS BROUGHT INTO WICOMICO COUNTY FOR A PERIOD OF NOT OVER FIVE (5) DAYS FOR FIELD TRIALS, DOG SHOWS OR EXHIBITS.*

29B. *The County Commissioners of Wicomico County shall prepare and furnish annually to all licensed veterinarians in Wicomico County or to those regularly engaged in the practice of veterinarian medicine in Wicomico County, metal tags to be given to the owner for each dog so vaccinated. Said tags shall be of metal, bear the year, a statement "Rabies Vaccine, Wicomico County", and a number, all of which shall be stamped on the face of the tag. Each veterinarian shall fill out a form in triplicate for each dog vaccinated hereunder, which forms shall be furnished by the County Commissioners, said forms to set forth the name of the owner, the owner's address, the number of the tag issued, the name and breed of the dog. When filled in, one copy of the form shall be retained by the veterinarian, one copy shall be given to the owner of the dog, and the original shall within ten (10) days after the vaccination be for-*