

any airplane, sink box or sink boat, or floating device towed by a power boat or a sail boat for the purpose of hunting wild waterfowl therefrom; provided, however, it shall be lawful to use sneak boat or bushwack rig on the Susquehanna Flats and on the waters of the Elk and Sassafras rivers in Cecil County and on the waters of the Potomac and Monocacy rivers in Allegany and Frederick Counties [and], on the waters of the Potomac River in Montgomery and Washington counties, [.] and on the waters of Chincoteague Bay, Sinepuxent Bay, Isle of Wight, Assawoman Bay and their respective tributaries in Worcester County. It shall be unlawful to use any decoy, sneak boat or bushwack rig (or any part thereof) within 500 yards of any stake blind or shore blind in Harford [and], Cecil or Worcester counties. Any gun which cannot be habitually raised and fired from the shoulder and any gun larger than number ten gauge or rifle of any description found in the vicinity of the areas of wildfowl shall be confiscated by any officer of this State and delivered to the Director.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1955.

Approved April 18, 1955.

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CHAPTER 495

(House Bill 496)

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition and 1954 Supplement), title "Crimes and Punishments", sub-title "Cruelty to Animals", said new section to be known as Section 87B and to follow immediately after Section 87A thereof, imposing a penalty for allowing female dogs in heat to run at large, **PROVIDING THAT NOTHING IN THIS ACT SHALL APPLY WITHIN THE LIMITS OF BALTIMORE CITY IN HOWARD COUNTY.**

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That a new section be and it is hereby added to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition and 1954 Supplement), title "Crimes and Punishments", sub-title "Cruelty to Animals", said new section to be known as Section 87B and to follow immediately after Section 87A thereof, and to read as follows:

*87B. IN HOWARD COUNTY, it shall be unlawful for any person* ~~KNOWINGLY to allow~~ **THE OWNER OR CUSTODIAN THEREOF** *OF a female dog while in oestrus or in a condition commonly known as "in heat" or "in season" to KNOWINGLY ALLOW THE SAME TO run at large. Every person violating the provisions of this section*

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EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.