

to have forfeited all rights of ownership or possession and the dog shall be deemed the property of Queen Anne's County. Said dog shall remain impounded for an additional forty-eight (48) hours, during which time any person so desiring, may obtain ownership of said dog by tendering the fee for the costs of seizure and impounding and by purchasing a license as required by Section 220.

221H. Any dog seized as aforesaid and not redeemed within one hundred and twenty (120) hours from time of seizure, shall be killed by the Dog Warden or one of his duly authorized deputies in the most humane manner possible.

221-I. All funds derived from the issuance of licenses as aforesaid and all funds received in the form of fees for seizure and impounding of dogs as aforesaid shall be turned over to the County Treasurer not less than once each month and shall become a part of the general funds of said County.

221J. Whenever the County Commissioners of Queen Anne's County are of the opinion that the health, welfare and safety of the citizens of Queen Anne's County require, said County Commissioners may by resolution provide for quarantine of all dogs, and they may make such further rules and regulations concerning dogs as they may deem necessary, including restriction of dogs to the property of the owner or keeper thereof unless accompanied and controlled by a responsible person.

221K. The County Commissioners of Queen Anne's County shall have the power in their discretion to make from time to time all necessary rules and regulations for the sale of dog licenses, the keeping of records of such licenses, and the convenient and effective enforcement of the provisions of this sub-title.

221L. Any person violating or refusing to comply with any of the provisions of this sub-title or any rules or regulations passed in pursuance thereof shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof before any Trial Magistrate of the County, or in the Circuit Court for Queen Anne's County shall be fined a sum of not less than Five Dollars (\$5.00) nor more than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) or shall be imprisoned in the county jail for not more than sixty (60) days, or shall be both fined and imprisoned in the discretion of the Trial Magistrate or Court. It shall be the duty of the State's Attorney, the Dog Warden, and his deputies to prosecute all persons found violating the law by refusing to comply with its provisions.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That Sections 200 through Section 207, inclusive, of Article 56 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition, as amended from time to time), be and they are hereby repealed insofar as they apply to Queen Anne's County and any other laws inconsistent with the provisions of this Act be and they are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a ye and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly of Maryland, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 1, 1957.