

maliciously setting fire to or allowing fire to escape in certain premises or property.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 28C of Article 23 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Wicomico County", sub-title "Crimes and Punishments", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, and to read as follows:

28C. [Any one who] *If anyone* shall wilfully, negligently and maliciously set fire to any brush, grass, or anything else, on his own land or the land of another, or *shall* wilfully, negligently or maliciously allow fire to escape in Wicomico [county] *County*, Maryland, and by reason of such negligence or malice the property of any other person or persons shall be injured or destroyed, *such offense* shall be a misdemeanor, and on conviction *the offender* shall be subject to a fine of not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars, and be committed to the county jail until *the* fine and costs are paid, or not over six months in jail, or both, in the discretion of the Court or of the justice of the peace; but any proceeding under this section shall not bar any person or persons whose property is injured or destroyed from proceeding for the recovery of damages by a civil suit before a justice of the peace or the Circuit Court for Wicomico County, Maryland.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1959.

Approved March 3, 1959.

CHAPTER 85

(Senate Bill 53)

AN ACT to repeal Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 14 and 15 of Article 23 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Wicomico County", sub-title "Bridges", said sections relating to the construction and use of certain bridges in Wicomico County and now being obsolete.

WHEREAS, In the Local Laws for Wicomico County there are a number of sections relating to the construction and use of bridges in that County, which sections now are obsolete; and

WHEREAS, Sections 3, 4 and 5 of these Local Laws were enacted in 1882 and concern the use of any iron bridge in Wicomico County at a pace faster than a walk; and

WHEREAS, Section 6 authorizes the erection and maintenance of a bridge across Wetipquin Creek; and

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.