

and regulate the business of itinerant, door-to-door peddling of goods, wares or merchandise, with exceptions, in Talbot County, and to provide penalties for violations.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That new Section 400A be and it is hereby added to Article 21 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Talbot County", to follow immediately after Section 400 thereof and to be under the new sub-title "Peddlers", Section 400A thereof having been repealed by Chapter 788 of the Acts of 1959, to read as follows:*

Peddlers

400A.

(a) It is unlawful for any person to conduct the business of or act as an itinerant or door-to-door peddler or salesman of goods, wares or merchandise, either by sample or otherwise, in Talbot County unless he has secured and holds a current license as such, issued upon application by the sheriff of the county. As used herein, "peddler or salesman" includes one who offers for sale or solicits subscriptions, for magazines or other periodical publications.

(b) The sheriff shall prepare and have available application forms for a peddler's license, containing such provisions and information as in the opinion of the sheriff may be necessary to keep a proper and complete listing of the persons in the County who are engaged in this occupation from time to time. The license shall be issued upon application at a cost of two dollars (\$2.00) for each year; and the cost shall not be prorated for portions of a year. The license year begins as of January 1.

(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed or used to apply to any person who is going from door-to-door in any activity or enterprise which is conducted for and on behalf of any nonprofit, charitable, or eleemosynary agency or organization; or to any person who is going from door-to-door in the sale of farm produce or seafood of any kind which he has produced or taken within the limits of the County; or to any person who is selling or delivering newspapers.

(d) Any person who violates any provision of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be subject upon conviction thereof to a fine not to exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each violation.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That if any provision of this sub-title or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or any other application of this sub-title which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this sub-title are hereby declared to be severable.*

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1963.*

Approved April 17, 1963.