

collecting office thereof, and shall be used for the payment of damages for the injury and killing of sheep, poultry or other livestock in said respective counties. In the event the same are not sufficient for the payment of all such damages the said damages shall be paid in the order the claims are presented, and any person or persons whose claims are not paid in any one year by reason of the lack of money to the credit of the said fund, which is to be designated "the dog license fund," shall be paid out of the first money coming into the fund after his claim is reached, and shall be paid in the order in which said claims are proved and filed; and any claims now filed and passed upon, but remaining unpaid, shall have preference over any new claims in the order of payment. The county commissioners of the several counties are hereby authorized to expend any funds in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) remaining in the hands of the treasurer or the tax collecting officer after the payment of the claims as aforesaid, for any public purpose which, in their judgment, may seem right and proper, and are further empowered, whenever in their judgment it may become necessary to do so, to enter into a contract or agreement with such persons, association of persons or corporations as they may deem suitable, for the removal, care and disposition of unlicensed dogs, or licensed dogs which may create a menace to the safety, security and property of the residents of said counties, on such terms and conditions and for such compensation as may be agreed to by the said county commissioners and such persons, association of persons or corporations. In Washington County, the County Commissioners are authorized to pay out of the fund claims for damages to shrubbery and trees, and for damages to personal property of any kind. The provisions of this section dealing with the maintenance of a separate fund designated "the dog license fund" are not applicable to Harford and Kent Counties [County]. In Harford and Kent Counties [County] all such monies collected and all such claims paid shall be from general funds of the county.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1967.

Approved April 14, 1967.

CHAPTER 241

(House Bill 412)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 99 of Article 2B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Alcoholic Beverages," subtitle "Harford County," to permit restaurants, hotels and private clubs holding a beer, wine or other alcoholic beverage license in Harford County to sell such beverages on Sunday during the hours of 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.; and further, whenever New Year's Eve falls on a Saturday, to permit such licensees to sell such beverages and remain open for one hour past midnight on Saturday, and if New Year's Eve falls on a Sunday they may open at 1 p.m. and close at one hour past midnight.