

Harford [County] or Cecil Counties, or upon the sworn complaint of any one or more persons that a dog is vicious and has bitten any person, a summons shall issue to the owner or keeper of such dog to appear before the People's Court in Harford County or a Trial Magistrate in Cecil County. Upon proof that the dog disturbs the peace and quiet of any neighborhood in an inhabited area, or is vicious and has bitten any person, the owner or keeper shall be required to deliver up the offending dog to be killed in the most humane manner possible, unless he removes the dog permanently from the neighborhood. If the owner or keeper is required to deliver up the dog to be killed or to remove it as aforesaid, and he refuses or fails to do so, then it is the duty of any police officer or any duly empowered agent on behalf of the county to seize the dog wherever it may be found and to cause it to be killed in the most humane manner possible. Any owner failing to comply with the provisions of this paragraph is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not more than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each offense. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this subsection, the barking of hunting dogs in pursuit of game shall not be considered a disturbance of the public peace for the purposes hereof.

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

Approved March 24, 1967.

CHAPTER 79
(House Bill 87)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 21(j) of Article 66B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Supplement), title "Zoning and Planning," subtitle "Zoning," repealing the provision granting towns in Cecil County zoning powers within one mile outside their corporate limits.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 21(j) of Article 66B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Supplement), title "Zoning and Planning," subtitle "Zoning," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

21.

(j) Any incorporated town in Cecil County which exercises zoning powers under this subtitle has jurisdiction for such purposes within its own corporate limits [and over the area around the town within one mile from the corporate limits,] and this jurisdiction prevails over the zoning powers of the county.

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

Approved March 24, 1967.