

to provide a change in the number of special dog training areas allowed per county.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 146 of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Replacement Volume), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Field Trials," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

146.

Upon application of any club or organization having twenty or more members who are citizens of this State, or upon the application of twenty or more citizens of this State and the payment of an annual registration fee of ten dollars (\$10.00), the Commission may issue a permit authorizing the establishment and maintenance by such club, organization or citizen on land owned by them, or over which they have legal control, of a special dog training area wherein and whereon dogs may be trained at any time during the entire year. No such dog training area shall be of less than one hundred acres, nor of more than two hundred fifty acres, nor shall permits be issued for more than **[five]** *eight* special dog training areas in any one county.

The permittees shall from time to time during each year stock twenty-five pieces of game per one hundred acres at their own expense under the supervision of the Commission and unless the Commission shall determine that the area is already adequately stocked. The permittees may at any time during the entire year train their own dogs or the dogs of other persons on such area or permit others so to do under such conditions as shall be mutually agreed upon. Neither the permittees nor any other person shall at any time hunt or trap within the confines of such area, except that the permittees or any person authorized by them may hunt or trap vermin and predators for the purpose of exterminating vermin and predators on such area.

The boundary line of such special dog training area shall be plainly and conspicuously posted prior to September first of each year with legible notices at least ten inches by twelve inches in size placed not more than one hundred yards apart which shall bear the following warning:

**SPECIAL DOG TRAINING AREA
HUNTING IS UNLAWFUL**

This Land Is Set Aside Under Special Permit for the
Training of Dogs.

Entering Hereon for the Purpose of Hunting or Disturbing Game
or Permitting Dogs to Enter Without Proper Authorization Is
Punishable by a Penalty of Twenty-five Dollars
(\$25.00) for each offense.

(Name and Address of Permittee to Be Printed Here)