

and which contract obligates the purchaser to make or pay an initial deposit prior to the completion of the home, the builder or seller shall either obtain a corporate surety bond in an amount equal to the deposit or hold the deposit in an escrow account in order to guarantee return of the deposit to the purchaser in the event the purchaser becomes entitled to a return of such deposit. The surety bond or escrow account shall be maintained until such time as the deed to the new home is delivered to the purchaser, his heirs or assigns or until the deposit is returned to the purchaser, EXCEPT WHERE DEPOSIT IS FORFEITED DUE TO THE FAULT OF THE BUYER.

(b) Failure to obtain and maintain either a corporate surety bond or an escrow account as provided for in subsection (A) of this section is a misdemeanor, and is punishable, upon conviction, by a fine not to exceed ~~one thousand dollars (\$1,000.)~~ FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) or imprisonment not to exceed ~~one year~~ NINETY DAYS or both. If the violations is by a corporation, then any officer, director, or employee who knowingly violates this Act is subject to the penalties of this subsection.

(C) PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THIS SECTION SHALL NOT APPLY IF THE DEPOSIT IS HELD BY A LICENSED REAL ESTATE BROKER.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1969.*

Approved May 14, 1969.

CHAPTER 668
(House Bill 535)

AN ACT to add new Section 235A to Article 18 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Queen Anne's County," subtitle "Foxes," to follow immediately after Section 235 thereof; and to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 236 of said Article and Code, as last amended by Chapter 231 of the Acts of 1957, to make it unlawful to hunt, shoot, or trap any fox in the Fourth Election District from sunset to sunrise and to provide a penalty for violation of this provision.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That new Section 235A be and it is hereby added to Article 18 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Queen Anne's County," subtitle "Foxes," to follow immediately after Section 235 thereof; and that Section 236 of said Article and Code, as last amended by Chapter 231 of the Acts of 1957, be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, and all to read as follows:*

235A.

It shall be unlawful to hunt, shoot, or trap any fox in the Fourth Election District from sunset on any day to sunrise on the following day.