

jail for not more than thirty days, or shall be both fined and imprisoned, in the discretion of the [trial magistrate] *district court* or circuit court. It shall be the duty of the state's attorney, the sheriff, the county police and the dog wardens of the county to prosecute all persons found violating the law by failing or refusing to comply with its provisions.

SECTION 3. *Be it further enacted*, that Subsections (b) (c) and (d) of Section 3-17 of said Code, title and article, be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

Section 3-17. Owner's responsibility for keeping dogs under control.

(b) The [dog license commission] *dog wardens* will investigate any reports of violations and shall seize or cause to be seized any dog seen at large. If, upon investigation of any report of violations, the dog is not in sight and the owner of the dog is known by the [complainant] *dog warden*, [the dog license commission will make available] *he shall issue* an "Order of [Complaint] *Compliance*" [which may be completed by the complainant and which should also bear the signatures of two other residents in the same area] *to such owner* attesting to the violation. When there is no previous seizing of the dog or previous complaint against the owner, the dog, if seized, shall be returned to the owner, and the [dog license commission] *dog warden* may issue to the owner [a written warning] *an order of compliance*. A copy of any such warning shall be filed in the office of the dog license commission. The [dog license commission] *dog warden*, in the enforcement of the provisions of this section, shall use the services and personnel of the Humane Society of Baltimore County.

(c) Where there is a record of a previous seizing of a dog or previous complaint against an owner, [upon seizing the dog or upon receipt of a properly completed "Order of Complaint,"] the dog, if seized, shall be returned to the owner, and the [dog license commission] *dog warden* may cause summons *or a warrant* to be issued to the owner of such dog.

(d) Any owner failing to comply with the provisions of this section after a warning has been issued in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) hereof shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof [before any trial magistrate] *in the district court* of the county or in the circuit court for the county, shall be subject to a fine of not more than twenty-five dollars for each offense.

SECTION 4. *Be it further enacted*, that new subsection (e) is hereby added to Section 3-17 of said Code, title and article, said new subsection to read as follows:

(e) The order of compliance provided for in subsection (b) hereof shall be subject to review by the dog license commission upon application in writing, by the owner within ten days from the date of said Order. If no application for review is filed with the commission within said period, the order shall become final.