malicious destruction of property. The county commissioners may in their discretion have special officers kill the dog or dogs. (d) In Howard and Montgomery counties, the County Council shall prescribe by law the manner in which the powers, duties and responsibilities placed within its jurisdiction and control by this section shall be exercised. (e) In Washington County no payments shall be made under this section unless the occurrence is reported to a sheriff or any deputy sheriff, in order to have appraisers appointed, within 48 hours of the damage complained of, and unless the appraisers file their report with the County Commissioners of Washington County within 15 days after their appointment. (f) In Frederick County and Washington County, the appraisers to be appointed as provided by this section may also be appointed by the sheriff, or any deputy sheriff of the county. (g) In Kent County, the application to the sheriff shall be made within thirty days after the occurrence of the injury or destruction. (H) IN SOMERSET GOUNTIES, THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1980.

Approved April 8, 1980.

CHAPTER 68

(House Bill 375)

AN ACT concerning

Worcester County Liquor Control Board (Compensation and Expenses)

FOR the purpose of altering the salaries of the members of the Worcester County Liquor Control Board; deleting a fixed mileage fee for those members and permitting the County Commissioners to set the rate in the annual budget; and prohibiting the salary increase from affecting the incumbent.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages Section 159(h)(7) Annotated Code of Maryland (1976 Replacement Volume and 1979 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows: