CHAPTER 193

(House Bill 802)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore and Harford Counties - Hunting - Snare Traps

FOR the purpose of imposing restrictions on the use, sale, possession, setting, placing, or maintaining of snare traps in Baltimore and Harford counties; and defining snare traps.

BY adding to

Article - Natural Resources Section 10-410(p) Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 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 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

10-410.

- (P) (1) (I) "SNARE TRAP" MEANS A DEVICE MADE OF WIRE, SYNTHETIC CORD, OR OTHER MATERIAL THAT:
- 1. IS IN THE FORM OF A NOOSE WITH A SLIPKNOT, STOP, SWIVEL, OR EYELET HOLES; AND
- 2. IS DESIGNED OR SET WITH THE INTENT OF CAPTURING AN ANIMAL BY THE NECK.
 - (II) "SNARE TRAP" INCLUDES:
 - 1. A POLE SNARE;
 - 2. HANGING SNARE; AND
 - 3. NECK SNARE.
- (2) IN BALTIMORE AND HARFORD COUNTIES, A PERSON MAY NOT USE, SELL, POSSESS, SET, PLACE, OR MAINTAIN A SNARE TRAP.
- (3)--THIS---SUBSECTION---DOES--NOT--PROHIBIT--THE MANUFACTURE-OR-UTILIZATION--OF--TRAPS--DESIGNED--OR--SET--TO CAPTURE-AN-ANIMAL-BY-THE-LEG:
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1980.