SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1982.

Approved May 4, 1982.

CHAPTER 161

(House Bill 354)

AN ACT concerning

Animals - Abandonment - Kennel
Commercial Boarding Kennel Operators

FOR the purpose of giving a kennel commercial boarding kennel operator the same rights that a veterinarian has as to selling or turning an abandoned animal over to an animal welfare agency or responsible private individual; allowing a kennel commercial boarding kennel operator to sell or turn an abandoned animal over to an animal welfare agency or responsible private individual; requiring certain notice to the owner of the animal; altering certain notice requirements as to posting and publication; relieving the kennel commercial boarding kennel operator, veterinarian, and any custodian to whom an abandoned animal is given of certain liability on giving notice as provided in this Act; providing for the application of proceeds and cumulative remedies of kennel commercial boarding kennel operators under this Act; and making stylistic changes.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Commercial Law
Section 16-701 to be under the amended subtitle
"Subtitle 7. Veterinarian's and Kennel
Commercial Boarding Kennel Operator's Rights"
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1975 Volume and 1981 Supplement)

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

Article - Commercial Law

Subtitle 7. Veterinarian's AND KENNEL COMMERCIAL BOARDING KENNEL OPERATOR'S Rights