

CHAPTER 83
(House Bill 1014)

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County - Power to Adopt a ~~Comprehensive~~ an Animal Control Ordinance

FOR the purpose of authorizing the County Commissioners of Calvert County to ~~adopt, amend, and enforce a comprehensive animal control ordinance.~~ provide, by ordinance, for the regulation, humane treatment, and keeping of domestic animals within the county, including the authority to assess certain penalties for violations of an ordinance; and generally relating to the authority of the Calvert County Commissioners to enact an animal control ordinance.

BY adding to

~~Article 25 - County Commissioners~~

~~Section 3(ss)~~

~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~

~~(2001 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)~~

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 24 - Political Subdivisions - Miscellaneous Provisions

Section 11-504(p)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 25 - County Commissioners

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~~(SS) THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CALVERT COUNTY MAY ADOPT, AMEND, AND ENFORCE A COMPREHENSIVE ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE.~~

Article 24 - Political Subdivisions - Miscellaneous Provisions

11-504.

(p) In addition to and not in substitution for any powers granted under this subtitle, the County Commissioners of Calvert County may by ordinance [or resolution provide for the regulation of dogs and cats within Calvert County] PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION, HUMANE TREATMENT, AND KEEPING OF DOMESTIC ANIMALS WITHIN CALVERT COUNTY, INCLUDING THE AUTHORITY TO ASSESS A PENALTY FOR A VIOLATION OF A PROVISION OF AN ORDINANCE OF IMPRISONMENT IN THE COUNTY JAIL NOT EXCEEDING 30 DAYS OR A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000 OR BOTH.