CHAPTER 536

(Senate Bill 374)

AN ACT concerning

Hunting and Trapping - Muskrat and Mink

FOR the purpose of altering the season during which a person may hunt or trap muskrat and mink in certain areas of the State; and exempting certain counties from the changes made by this Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources Section 10-406(b)(1) Annotated Code of Maryland (1983 Replacement Volume and 1984 Supplement)

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

Article - Natural Resources

10-406.

- (b) (1) (I) A person may possess any green pelt of any fur-bearing mammal until March 25 for purposes of curing the skins.
- (II) However, in Frederick, Garrett, Allegany, Carroll, Howard, and Washington counties, a person may hunt or trap mink or muskrat between November 15 and February 15, of the year following, and a person may possess any green mink and muskrat pelt until February 25 for purposes of curing the skin.
- (III) 1. In the remainder of the State EXCEPT FOR THE COUNTIES IN ITEM 2. OF THIS PARAGRAPH, a person may hunt or trap mink or muskrat between [December 15] JANUARY 1 and March 15 [of the year following].
- 2. IN CECIL, KENT, QUEEN ANNE'S, SOMERSET, AND WORCESTER COUNTIES, A PERSON MAY HUNT OR TRAP MINK OR MUSKRAT BETWEEN DECEMBER 15 AND MARCH 15 OF THE YEAR FOLLOWING.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1985.
- Approved May 28, 1985.