

(II) THE PERSON shall be liable for the costs of the proceedings in the District Court; AND

(III) THE COURT MAY PERMIT A MUNICIPALITY TO ABATE ANY SUCH CONDITION AT THE PERSON'S EXPENSE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1986.

Approved May 27, 1986.

CHAPTER 805

(House Bill 1601)

AN ACT concerning

Rabies Control and Captive Wildlife

FOR the purpose of defining terms; forbidding the possession of live raccoons or opossums unless a permit is obtained from the Department of Natural Resources; repealing certain provisions on raising game birds and mammals in captivity; making certain legislative findings; authorizing the Secretary to adopt certain rules and regulations; providing for the coordination with federal and local governments; authorizing the Secretary of Natural Resources to issue game husbandry licenses; establishing procedures for the operation of regulated shooting preserves; establishing procedures for the Secretary of Natural Resources to issue falconry permits; authorizing the issuance of wildlife cooperator permits; authorizing the issuance of scientific collecting permits; authorizing the Secretary to issue a wildlife exhibitor permit; permitting the Secretary to revoke permits or licenses when the terms of their issuance are violated; establishing a captive wildlife advisory committee; allowing the Secretary of Agriculture to make determinations concerning what animals may pose a threat to poultry, livestock, or human safety; requiring that a permit be obtained from the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene in order to possess certain animals which may endanger the health and safety of humans; allowing counties, municipal corporations, or Baltimore City to impose stricter possession requirements; requiring that the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene coordinate with the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Agriculture when issuing or renewing permits; and generally relating to the regulation of captive wildlife.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,