

## Article 24 – Political Subdivisions – Miscellaneous Provisions

## Section 11-501(o)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

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

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11-501.

(a) Except in CARROLL COUNTY, Montgomery County and Howard County, on or before the first day of July of each year, the owner of any dog, six months old or over, shall apply either orally or in writing, to the county treasurer or to the tax collecting officer in said county for a license for each such dog owned or kept by him, and such application shall be accompanied by a fee of one dollar (\$1.00) for each male dog or each spayed female dog, and a fee of two dollars (\$2.00) for each unspayed female dog, and provided that kennel license shall be issued for ten dollars (\$10.00) to persons owning or keeping not in excess of twenty-five dogs and that a kennel license fee of twenty dollars (\$20.00) shall be issued to persons keeping more than twenty-five dogs. The said license or fee shall be the only license or tax required for the ownership or keeping of said dog or dogs. Such license shall be issued on a form prepared and supplied by the county commissioners. Such license shall be dated and numbered, and shall contain a description of the dog licensed. Except in CARROLL COUNTY, Montgomery County and Howard County, all licenses shall be void upon the first day of July of the following year. The county commissioners shall also furnish, and the county treasurer, or tax collecting officer issuing the license, shall issue, with each license, a metal tag. Such tag shall be affixed to a substantial collar. The collar shall be furnished by the owner, and with the tag attached shall at all times be kept on the dog for which the license is issued, except when confined in the kennel or when hunting in charge of an attendant.

(b) In [Carroll County and in] Calvert County the fees for dog licenses shall be determined by the county commissioners. However, before establishing or altering any license fee, the Calvert County Commissioners shall advertise the proposed fee for 2 consecutive weeks in at least 2 newspapers of general circulation in Calvert County. All dog licenses will expire on June 30. Any license valid on July 1, 1973, shall remain valid through June 30, 1974.

(O) (1) THIS SUBSECTION APPLIES ONLY TO CARROLL COUNTY.

(2) THE CARROLL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL SET THE FEES, THE TERM, AND THE FORM FOR DOG LICENSES AND KENNEL LICENSES PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY UNDER § 11-511 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

11-503.

(a) [The] EXCEPT IN CARROLL COUNTY, THE county commissioners of the counties shall prepare, and furnish annually to the county treasurer, and to the tax collecting officer, metal tags to be given the owners of dogs when the owners shall pay the license fee for dogs. The tags shall be of metal, and shall have a serial number