

~~(2) A PERSON WHO IS HUNTING A DEER DURING A DEER SEASON AND WHO HAS KILLED, WOUNDED, OR INJURED THE DEER, OR REASONABLY BELIEVES THAT THE PERSON HAS KILLED, WOUNDED, OR INJURED THE DEER, MAY USE ONE LEASHED DOG FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRACKING AND RECOVERING THE DEER.~~

(2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE USE OF DOGS TO AID IN THE PROMPT RECOVERY OF KILLED, WOUNDED, OR INJURED DEER.

(3) (I) In [all counties, except] Baltimore, Harford, Howard, Montgomery, Prince George's, Somerset, and Worcester Counties, A PERSON MAY NOT KILL A DOG FOUND PURSUING A DEER.

(II) IN ALL OTHER COUNTIES, any Natural Resources police officer, law enforcement officer, or any other person may kill any dog found pursuing any [deer] DEER, EXCEPT ~~A LEASHED DOG USED IN ACCORDANCE WITH REGULATIONS ADOPTED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION.~~

(III) In Caroline, Dorchester, Talbot, Kent, Anne Arundel, Cecil, Charles, Garrett, St. Mary's, Queen Anne's, Frederick, Carroll, and Calvert Counties, dogs that are engaged in fox hunting and who have broken away may not be killed under this [subsection] PARAGRAPH.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

Approved May 18, 2000.

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**CHAPTER 641**

**(House Bill 840)**

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt - Worcester County - Ocean City Visitors and Information Center**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$400,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Ocean City, Maryland Chamber of Commerce, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That:

(1) The Board of Public Works may borrow money and incur indebtedness on behalf of the State of Maryland through a State loan to be known as the Worcester County - Ocean City Visitors and Information Center Loan of 2000 in a total principal