1992 LAWS OF MARYLAND CHAPTER 160

(House Bill 448)

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County - Animal Control

FOR the purpose of authorizing the County Commissioners of Frederick County to provide, by ordinance, for a comprehensive system of regulation of certain animals; providing that regulations may include provisions for the impoundment and disposal of certain dogs and for the regulation of persons who own or keep certain animals; providing that the regulations may include certain penalties; and generally relating to the regulation of animals in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 24 - Political Subdivisions - Miscellaneous Provisions

Section 11-511

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1991 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. 1) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1992)

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

Article 24 - Political Subdivisions - Miscellaneous Provisions

11-511.

- (A) THIS SECTION ONLY APPLIES TO CARROLL COUNTY AND FREDERICK COUNTY.
- [(a)](B) In addition to and not in substitution for any powers granted under this article, the [County Commissioners of Carroll County] COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, by ordinance, may provide for a comprehensive system for the regulation of domestic animals, including dogs, and wild animals held in captivity, within the county, including licensing and control.
 - [(b)](C) These regulations may include:
- (1) Provisions for the impoundment and disposal of unlicensed or dangerous dogs;
- (2) Provisions for the regulation of persons who own or keep any animal which disturbs the peace and quiet of a neighborhood, or which is vicious; and
- (3) Reasonable penalties for violations of any of the provisions of the regulations, not to exceed imprisonment in the county jail for 30 days or a fine of \$500, or both.