

after sunset and before sunrise of any day between November 1 and the next succeeding February 28, inclusive. No person shall hunt any raccoon or opossum between sunrise and midnight Sunday. No person shall cut a tree for the purpose of catching, killing, or dislodging a raccoon or opossum without the consent of the owner of such tree. No person may at any time set or otherwise use any steel trap or other similar device to catch any raccoon or opossum; except that the landowner or his agent may at any time set or otherwise use steel traps or other similar devices to catch raccoons or opossums which are damaging property. Violators of this section shall be subject to the penalties provided by Section 179 of this Article.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1961.*

Approved April 24, 1961.

CHAPTER 576

(House Bill 840)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 108 (9) of Article 52 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Justices of the Peace", sub-title "Trial Magistrates System", relating to the salaries and expenses of the trial magistrates of Dorchester County and to the salary of the clerk of the magistrate sitting at Cambridge.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 108 (9) of Article 52 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Justices of the Peace", sub-title "Trial Magistrates System", be and is hereby repealed and re-enacted to read as follows:*

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(9) There shall be three trial magistrates, one of whom shall sit at Cambridge and shall receive an annual salary of ~~[\$2,100.00]~~ \$4,000.00. The said magistrate sitting at Cambridge shall appoint a clerk, who shall receive an annual salary to be fixed by the County Commissioners, ~~[but not exceeding \$1,500.00,]~~ payable monthly, the said salary to be paid by the County Commissioners of Dorchester County. The other two trial magistrates shall sit at Hurlock and Vienna respectively and hold sessions on at least three days in each week and shall receive an annual salary of ~~[\$500.00]~~ \$1,500.00. ~~[Administrative and clerical expenses for the trial magistrate at Vienna shall be the same as those provided for the magistrate at Hurlock.]~~

Trial magistrates shall not receive any compensation in addition to the salary provided for in this section. The administrative and clerical expenses of the trial magistrates shall be allowed ~~with the~~

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.