

County", sub-title "Trespass", a prior Section 416 having been repealed by Chapter 856 of the Acts of 1943, to immediately precede Section 417, to be under the sub-title "Trespass", relating to hunting on lands of another in Queen Anne's County, making it unlawful to hunt with weapons during the deer season without obtaining the permission of the owner of the land, providing for special deputies to enforce such provisions, penalties for violations and distribution of proceeds of fines collected for violations.

WHEREAS, Numerous deer hunters are now hunting in Queen Anne's County during the deer season and a great many are not securing permission from the landowners; and are totally ignoring the property rights of many people; and

WHEREAS, The landowner can no longer regulate who is to hunt on his land nor the number who will hunt; and

WHEREAS, The uncontrolled hunting by these trespassers is causing a danger to the life and limb of the residents of Queen Anne's County, and it is now necessary to enact more stringent laws in order that the trespassing by deer hunters might be reduced; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Section 416 be and it is hereby added to the Code of Public Local Laws of Queen Anne's County (1930 Edition, being Article 18 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Queen Anne's County", sub-title "Trespass", a prior Section 416 having been repealed by Chapter 856 of the Acts of 1943, to immediately precede Section 417, to be under the sub-title "Trespass", and to read as follows:

416. (a) *It is unlawful for any person to enter or trespass upon the property of another for the purpose of hunting deer thereon during the season for hunting deer with gun, rifle, bow and arrow or any other means in Queen Anne's County, unless such person shall have first secured from the owner or person in possession of the property written permission to hunt thereon. Any person hunting upon the property of another shall exhibit his written permission to hunt thereon upon the request of the sheriff or any deputy or the owner or person in possession. The sheriff, or any deputy, shall upon the request of the owner or person in possession of any property on which there is hunting of deer arrest any person thereon without the written permission of the owner or person in possession. Violation of this section is punishable upon conviction by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25) and not more than five hundred dollars (\$500).*

(b) *For the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this section, with the approval of the County Commissioners, the sheriff of Queen Anne's County may appoint one or more special deputies at salaries approved by the County Commissioners. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, all fines collected for violations of this section shall be paid over to the County Commissioners.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1963.

Approved April 17, 1963.