

fifteen (15) days after its effective date apply to the Department in writing for a rehearing.

The application for rehearing shall be acted upon WITHIN fifteen (15) days after its filing and, if granted, the rehearing shall be held without undue delay.

~~648DD~~ 648BB. (a) Any person aggrieved by any action of the ~~Board~~ DEPARTMENT shall have the right to apply to the Circuit Court of the County OR CITY in which the person resides or the well is located for review of the ~~Board's~~ DEPARTMENT'S decisions. Such application shall be by petition and must be filed in the Clerk's office OF SAID COURT within ten days following the action of the ~~Board~~ DEPARTMENT AND ANY OTHER PARTY INTERESTED THEREIN MAY INTERVENE. The ~~Board~~ DEPARTMENT shall be named the Defendant in such suit. The case shall be docketed at once and shall take precedence over any other civil cause, action, or proceeding on the docket. On the petition the judge shall hear the proceedings de novo, shall thereupon determine all matters of law and fact without a jury, and render his decision approving, setting aside, or modifying the action of the ~~Board~~ DEPARTMENT. In any such case the Attorney General shall represent the ~~Board~~ DEPARTMENT, provided that on request of the Attorney General, the State's Attorney in the County OR CITY in which the case is tried shall represent the ~~Board~~ DEPARTMENT.

(b) ~~The Board or any~~ ANY party aggrieved by any such final decision of the judge shall have the right to appeal to the Court of Appeals.

~~648EE~~ 648CC. Any person, or persons, firm, partnership, association, or corporation wilfully violating any of the provisions of this Act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than One Hundred Dollars nor more than One Thousand Dollars for each offense.

~~648FF~~ 648DD. Upon application of the Department, verified by oath or affirmation, the Circuit Court of ~~any county or of Baltimore City~~ THE COUNTY OR CITY WHERE THE WELL IS LOCATED, sitting in equity, may, by injunction enforce the compliance with, or restrain the violation of any order, notice, rule or regulation of the Department made pursuant to the provisions of this sub-title or restrain the violation or attempted violation of any of the provisions of this sub-title. The Attorney General of Maryland shall be Counsel to the Department.

648GG. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person being the owner or operator of any gas well to take gas therefrom unless such gas be metered by a standard system of metering. If any person operating or producing gas from any well shall violate the terms of this section, then its interest in the lease under which the well is being produced shall be void and subject to cancellation at the suit of the owners of the royalty interest in the leased premises on which the violation occurs.

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