

Local Laws, title "Guano," by adding thereto the following sections relating to the inspection of all fertilizers other than guano, passed at January session, 1868, chapter 295, be, and the same is hereby repealed, and an additional Article is hereby enacted and added to the Code of Public General Laws, to number 113, and titled "Manures and Fertilizers," to read as follows :

1. That all commercial manures and artificially manufactured or manipulated fertilizers, brought into or manufactured in the State of Maryland for sale, and sold or kept for sale therein, shall have permanently affixed to every sack, bag, barrel, box or other package thereof, a stamped or printed label, which shall specify, legibly, the name or names of the manufacturer or manufacturers, his, her or their place of business, the net weight of each sack, bag, barrel, box or other package, the component parts of such manure or fertilizer, the percentage, by weight, which it contains of the following constituents, viz : of phosphoric acid, soluble in pure cold water, of phosphoric acid insoluble in pure cold water, of available ammonia, potash and soda.

2. That if any person shall sell or keep for sale any commercial manures, or artificially manufactured or manipulated fertilizers, not labeled in accordance with the requirements of the next preceding section, or shall affix any label to any sack, bag, barrel, box or other package, not expressing truly the component parts of said manures or fertilizers, or expressing a larger percentage of the constituents, or either of them, mentioned in the next preceding section, than is contained therein, shall be punished by a fine of fifty dollars for the first offence, and seventy-five dollars for the second and each subsequent offence, to be recovered on indictment and conviction in the Circuit Court for Baltimore city, or the Circuit Court for the county within whose jurisdiction said offence may be committed, one-half thereof to be paid to the informer, the other half to the State.

3. That any purchaser of commercial manures or artificially manufactured or manipulated fertilizers, bearing labels as provided for in section 1 of this Article, who shall be injured or defrauded by the contents of the sacks, bags, barrels, boxes or other package not conforming in quality and quantity to the labels thereon, may recover from the seller or sellers thereof, in an action of debt, an amount equal to the purchase money of such manure or fertilizer ; and in case the purchase is made of an agent of any person or persons residing out of the limits of the State of Maryland, manufacturing, compounding, preparing and furnishing for sale any such commercial manures or fertilizers, the purchaser thereof may at his option proceed, by attachment, as now