

chemists, agents or representatives, or the sender of any sample with regard to the analysis of any fertilizer or fertilizers sent to the Agricultural College by the purchaser or purchasers thereof for analysis under the provisions of this section, nor shall the Agricultural College, nor its chemist, nor its agent or agents, or the sender of any sample, furnish any information or communicate with any manufacturer of fertilizer about any such sample submitted for analysis until after a report of said analysis shall have been duly furnished to the applicant for such analysis under this section; provided that all samples sent to the Maryland Agricultural College by any purchaser or purchasers shall be drawn from at least five per cent. of the total number of bags purchased, these samples to be thoroughly mixed in a clean, dry place, and a suitable sample shall be taken from said mixture and placed in a suitable vessel or vessels, carefully closed and sealed with an identifying label, and the same then taken or sent by safe carriage to the said college for analysis; every sample sent for analysis by the State chemist as provided for in this section shall be fully described on forms to be furnished by said chemist free of charge, said description giving a full and complete statement of the time and place of sampling of all marks on the bags or packages thereof and all of the facts relating to the same; said description and statement shall be signed by the owner of the fertilizer and the person drawing the sample; provided further, that the purchaser or purchasers sending such sample or samples of fertilizer shall withhold said description or descriptions of said sample or samples until he has received the report of the said State chemist of the analysis of the same. Any person or persons receiving an analysis from the State chemist under this act shall immediately thereafter forward to him the statement required by this act to be made at the time of taking the sample or samples. Any person or persons violating the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

SEC. 7. Any manufacturer, agent or representative who shall be convicted of making false and fraudulent representations as to the quality and constituent elements of any fertilizers by the printed analysis or false or misleading statement upon any such bag or packages shall be fined one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for the first offense and two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for every subsequent offense thereafter; and the report of the analysis of any such sample of fertilizer sent to the Agricultural College for examination under this act shall be prima facie evi-