

of the value of said property in proceedings had in pursuance of this sub-title.

Public Service Commission Law does not withdraw from a corporation the control of its financial policy. Commission has no jurisdiction to direct establishment of depreciation reserve and annual addition thereto. Supervision of commission over corporate accounts. Function of court in reviewing finding of commission as to reasonable rates. Burden of proof. Fair value of bridge held to be the issue, rather than original cost or cost of acquisition. Method of finding value. Rates, and allowance for maintenance, held unreasonable. *Havre de Grace Bridge Co. v. P. S. C. of Md.*, 132 Md. 26.

An. Code, sec. 443. 1910, ch. 180, sec. 31 (p. 375).

386. This sub-title shall apply to the manufacture and furnishing of gas for light, heat or power, and the furnishing of natural gas for light, heat or power, and the generation, furnishing and transmission of electricity for light, heat or power.

Natural gas when it leaves the main lines, where it is separated from the bulk of gas in such lines and forced into intermediate lines and pipes of individual consumers so that it cannot return to main line, and where it remains until used, is subject to regulation by P. S. C. of Md. The movement of natural gas from one state to another is interstate commerce, but when sold and distributed to Maryland consumers it ceases to be an article of such commerce. "Original package." Injunction properly granted. *W. Va., etc., Gas Co. v. P. S. C.*, 134 Md. 139.

An. Code, sec. 444. 1910, ch. 180, sec. 31½ (p. 375).

387. Every gas corporation and every electrical corporation shall furnish and provide such service, instrumentalities and facilities as shall be reasonably safe and adequate and in all respects just and reasonable. All charges made or demanded by any such gas corporation and electrical corporation for gas, electricity or any service rendered or to be rendered, shall be just and reasonable and not more than allowed by law or by order of the commission; "and all acts or parts of acts heretofore passed and now existing, prescribing or limiting the price at which any gas corporation or electrical corporation, or any other corporation subject to this sub-title, may furnish, sell or dispose of its gas or electricity or other product or utility are hereby repealed, it being the intent of this sub-title that the powers of the commission herein created to ascertain the price of such gas or electricity or other product of utility as provided for herein, shall supersede all such acts or parts of acts aforesaid." Every unjust or unreasonable charge made or demanded for gas, electricity or any such service, or in connection therewith, or in excess of that allowed by law or by the order of the commission, is prohibited.

No gas corporation or electrical corporation shall directly or indirectly, by any special rate, rebate, drawback or other device or method, charge, demand, collect or receive from any person or corporation a greater or less compensation for gas or electricity, or for any service rendered, or to be rendered, or in connection therewith, except as authorized in this sub-title, than it charges, demands, collects or receives from any other person or corporation for doing a like and contemporaneous service with respect thereto, under the same or substantially similar circumstances or conditions.