

ARTICLE 61.

MANURES AND FERTILIZERS.¹

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An. Code, 1924, sec. 1. 1922, ch. 244, sec. 1. 1931, ch. 540, sec. 1.

1. The term "fertilizer" as used in this Article shall mean any commercial fertilizer, or any article, substance or mixture sold, offered or exposed for sale, for manurial purposes in the State of Maryland of which the selling price shall be more than \$5.00 per ton of two thousand pounds, but shall not include ground gypsum, lime, ground limestone, ground shells, dung of all poultry or dung of domestic animals, in bulk, when sold as such and when not mixed with other fertilizer or fertilizer materials. The term "State Chemist" shall mean the professor in charge of the Chemical Department of the University of Maryland, who shall be *ex-officio* State Chemist. The term "brand" shall mean the full name, brand and trade-mark under which a fertilizer is sold, together with a statement of the percentage of the valuable ingredients contained in said fertilizer.

1931, ch. 540, sec. 2.

2. Every manufacturer, jobber or manipulator of commercial fertilizer and materials used in the manufacture of the same, who may desire to sell or offer for sale in the State of Maryland such fertilizer or fertilizer materials before offering the same for sale shall file or register with the University of Maryland upon forms furnished by said university the name of each and every brand of fertilizer which it is desired to sell in the said State by any said manufacturer, jobber or manipulator, or their agents, together with the name and address of said manufacturer, jobber or manipulator, and the guaranteed analysis of said fertilizer, stating the sources and the percentages thereof from which the nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash are derived.

Before any person or firm shall sell or offer for sale any pure or mixed culture of micro-organism or other material to be used for promoting directly or indirectly the growth of higher plants, he or they shall secure a permit and shall file or register with the University of Maryland a statement under oath, specifying the composition of the substance, and the kind of micro-organisms contained therein which promotes the growth of higher plants, and they shall pay to the University of Maryland a permit and registration fee of \$10.00 per brand. The University of Maryland shall have power to refuse or cancel such permit whenever any culture or

¹ Relative to this article as it formerly stood, see *Snowden v. State*, 69 Md. 209, and *State v. Long*, 94 Md. 637.