

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 55 of Article 101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, Edition of 1924, title "Workmen's Compensation," be, and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

55. The State Industrial Accident Commission is hereby authorized and directed to formulate reasonable rules and regulations looking to the establishment and maintenance of conditions of safety and to the prevention of accidents in occupations covered by the provisions of this Article; that said Commission is hereby authorized and empowered to employ a competent and discreet person who shall be known as Director of Safety, and two additional persons as Inspectors, the said employees to perform such duties as may be required of them by the State Industrial Accident Commission, and to receive such salaries as may be provided for them by the budget of appropriations; no person shall be eligible for appointment as Director of Safety unless he shall have had at least five years' experience in safety engineering work.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That two additional sections be added to Article 101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, the said additional sections to be known as Sections 55A and 55B, and to read as follows:

55A. Any person, firm or corporation, except such corporation as may be under the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission, who shall fail or refuse to comply with any rule or regulation which may be promulgated by the State Industrial Accident Commission pursuant to the powers conferred upon it by Section 55 of this Article shall, upon conviction thereof, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and subject to a fine of not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00).

55B. Any member of the State Industrial Accident Commission, Director of Safety, the Inspectors appointed in pursuance of the provisions of this Act or any other person authorized to do so by the State Industrial Accident Commission, shall have free access during regular business hours to all places of employment, subject to the Workmen's Compensation Law of Maryland, and shall have full power and authority to inspect such places of employment including the right to enter