

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and being passed upon a ye and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 17, 1931.

CHAPTER 301.

AN ACT to add four new sections to Article 43 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "Health," sub-title "Food Products," to follow immediately after Section 206, to be known as Sections 206A, 206B, 206C and 206D, to require canneries to be licensed and to provide for the issuance and revocation of such licenses by the State Board of Health.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That four new sections be and they are hereby added to Article 43 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "Health" sub-title "Food Products," to follow immediately after Section 206, and to be known as Sections 206A, 206B, 206C and 206D, and all to read as follows:

206A. The word "cannery," as used in this Act, shall mean any place or establishment where food products are cooked, preserved, processed or prepared and placed in cans or other containers and hermetically sealed for commercial purposes.

206B. No person, firm or corporation shall conduct or operate a cannery without first obtaining a license from the State Board of Health; said license shall run for one year from the date of its issue, unless sooner revoked, as herein provided, and shall be renewed annually thereafter. A license may be denied if the establishment of the applicant is known to be in an unsanitary condition or if the water supply is known to be dangerously polluted. After January 1, 1932, no new cannery shall be licensed unless so located or constructed that the waste liquids, drainage and inedible products can be readily removed from the premises and immediate surroundings, or stored or destroyed, without constituting a nuisance or objectionable unsanitary condition.