

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1949.

Approved April 29, 1949.

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CHAPTER 565

(House Bill 457)

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 20 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Somerset County", sub-title "Crisfield", said new section to be known as Section 98A and to follow immediately after Section 98 of said Article, creating the office of Fire Marshal for Crisfield, prescribing his powers and duties and conferring authority upon the Mayor and Council of Crisfield to make rules and regulations in connection with the office of Fire Marshal and fire hazards.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That a new section be and it is hereby added to Article 20 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Somerset County", sub-title "Crisfield", said new section to be known as Section 98A, to follow immediately after Section 98 of said Article and to read as follows:

98A. (a) The Office of Fire Marshal for Crisfield is hereby created. The Fire Marshal shall be appointed by the Mayor of Crisfield and confirmed by the City Council as are other municipal appointments and paid such compensation as said Mayor and Council shall determine, and may be removed by said Mayor and Council for incompetence, neglect of duty or other cause as said officials in their discretion shall determine.

(b) The Fire Marshal shall have power to inspect buildings of all kinds for the purpose of discovering fire hazards and to enforce the rules and regulations adopted by the Mayor and Council of Crisfield.

(c) The Mayor and Council of Crisfield are hereby authorized and empowered to adopt and promulgate such rules and regulations as they may, in their discretion, determine to be necessary to protect the public from fire hazards and other dangers due to unsafe and dangerous conditions with respect to any and all buildings in the City of Crisfield. Such regulations may provide for the repair or removal of dangerous structures, the removal of trash and other materials which