

*have the power, when actually engaged in fighting fire to enter at their risk, and without liability for trespass, upon property and within buildings, including private dwellings, near the scene of the fire for purposes of carrying out whatever action is necessary to extinguish said fire or prevent its spread.*

(b) If such Board or Chief of the Fire Department, or Chief, Captain or Lieutenant of a volunteer fire company, as designated above, after any inspection made under authority of this sub-title, shall in its or his discretion deem that any such accumulation of material of a combustible nature increases the danger of fire to the premises where such accumulation has been permitted, or to the property adjacent thereto, such Board or Chief of the Fire Department, or officer of a voluntary company as aforesaid, shall give notice in writing to the occupant or occupants, or one of them of the premises where such accumulation has been permitted, to remove or cause to be removed from such premises such material of a combustible nature within forty-eight hours after receipt by him or her of such notice.

(c) In case such material of such combustible nature shall not be removed within forty-eight hours after notice as aforesaid, such Board or Chief of the Fire Department, or other officer as herein specified, may cause the same to be removed from such premises, and thereupon cause notice in writing of the cost and expenses of such removal to be given to such occupant or occupants, or one of them, and also certify the amount thereof to the City Treasurer, Town Treasurer or County Treasurer of the city, town or county, and in case such costs and expenses shall not be paid to said treasurer within thirty days after such notice, such city, town or county may recover such costs and expenses in an action on the case against such occupant or occupants.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1951.

Approved April 13, 1951.

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CHAPTER 373

(House Bill 263)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments Section 281 of Article 16 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edi-

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EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.