

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 254 of Article 16 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Chancery", sub-title "Sales", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

254. Where any person dies, or shall have died, leaving any real estate in possession, remainder or reversion, and not leaving personal estate sufficient to pay his debts and costs of administration, the court, on any suit instituted by any of his creditors, or by the executor, administrator or other personal representative of said decedent, may decree that all the real estate of such person, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be sold to pay his debts; and the funeral expenses of the decedent, to be allowed in the discretion of the court according to the condition and circumstances of the deceased, not to exceed [Three Hundred Dollars] *Five Hundred Dollars*, except by special order of court, and provided the estate of the deceased be solvent, shall be considered the debt of said decedent, and in the distribution of the proceeds arising from any sale under this section, the claim for funeral expenses shall take priority to all claims of the common creditors of the deceased. This section to apply to all cases where the heirs or devisees are residents or non-residents, or are of full age, or infants, or of sound mind, or non compos mentis, and to cases where the parties left no heirs, or where it is not known whether he left heirs or devisees, or, if the heirs or devisees be unknown and if there be no heirs the State's Attorney shall appear to the bill.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1955.

Approved April 18, 1955.

CHAPTER 502

(House Bill 564)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 276 of Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Motor Vehicles", sub-title "Operation of Vehicles Upon Highways", specifying the permissible height for motor vehicles loaded with hay or straw in bound bales.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 276 of Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), sub-title "Operation of Vehicles Upon Highways", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

276. (Height of Vehicles.) No vehicle including any load thereon shall exceed a height of 12 feet 6 inches except that motor transport

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.