

taken over said bridge or culvert, and that no such vehicle of any kind as above enumerated shall pass or be drawn, driven, propelled or in any other manner taken over said bridge or culvert at a greater rate of speed than that specified on said signboard. Any individual, firm, co-partnership, corporation or other person, whether the owner of such vehicle, the person in charge and control over the same, or employee or agent of any such who shall draw, drive, propel or in any other manner take or cause to be taken, drawn, driven or propelled over any such bridge or culvert posted as aforesaid any wagon, truck, road engine, road roller, traction engine, threshing machine or other vehicle of any kind, weighing, with or without any load which may be in or upon the same, more than the number of pounds specified on the signboard so erected at the entrances or approaches of such bridge or culvert, or at a greater rate of speed than that specified on said signboard, without a permit in writing from the State Roads Commission shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than Twenty-five Dollars nor more than One Hundred Dollars, for each such offense; in addition to which the owner or person in control of such vehicle shall be liable to the same Commission for all damages which may be done the same by the violation of the regulation so prescribed. In any trial of any person charged with a violation of any of the provisions of this section oral proof of the existence of such signboard posted as herein provided and its contents shall be accepted as prima facie evidence of the validity of the regulations thereon prescribed.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1957.

Approved February 13, 1957.

CHAPTER 45

(Senate Bill 66)

AN ACT to add Section 17 to Article 1 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Rules of Interpretation", to follow immediately after Section 16 thereof, establishing and confirming the legislative intent of the General Assembly when two or more amendments to the same section or sub-section of the Code are enacted at the same or different sessions of the General Assembly, and one of them makes no reference to and takes no account of the other or others.

WHEREAS, there is occasional uncertainty as to the legal effect of a section of the Code when it has been amended by two different Acts of the General Assembly, each of which was separately prepared and takes no account of the other. Members of the Bench and Bar may then question whether the later of the two amendments has superseded and in effect repealed the earlier one; and

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.