

sioners [Agricultural Agent,] after studying a financial report submitted to the County Commissioners by the operating auction after the completion of each year of business. Any person, firm or corporation which did not conduct regular auctions during the previous year shall furnish a bond in the amount of ~~[\$15,000.00]~~ \$2,000.00. *Provided, however, that any person, firm or corporation which desires to conduct a livestock auction, and who did not conduct regular livestock auctions during the previous year shall furnish a bond in the amount of \$15,000.00.* The bond shall be made payable to the County Commissioners of Garrett County, conditioned upon saving harmless any consignors ~~from Garrett County~~, who shall send any such goods for sale at the auction, from any failure or delay of more than three days *or if payment by check said check postmarked not later than three days from the date of sale* in making payment in full for any goods sold at the auction. Nothing in this section shall be construed to apply to or affect any private sale of any such goods. Any person, firm or corporation violating the provisions of this section shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to a fine of not less than \$500.00, or shall be subject to imprisonment for not exceeding one year, or, in the discretion of the court, to both such fine and imprisonment.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and having been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of the members elected to each of the two houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 11, 1959.

CHAPTER 163

(Senate Bill 221)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, subsection (e) of Section 18 of Article 64A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Merit System", providing that unclassified State employees may take promotional examinations for positions in the classified service for which they are qualified, and to be temporarily appointed to such classified positions.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That subsection (e) of Section 18 of Article 64A of the Annotated Code of Maryland, (1957 Edition), title "Merit System", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

(e) Promotions.—Promotion is a change from one class to another class with a higher maximum compensation, and vacancies shall be filled by promotion as far as is consistent with the best in-

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.