

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 68 (a) of Article 48 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Inspections", sub-title "State Tobacco Authority", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:*

68. (a) Every licensed tobacco commission selling agency shall collect from the owner or seller of tobacco sold on its sales floor, a fee at the rate of five cents per basket or thirty cents per hogshead, as the case may be. *However, at any time in less than sixty days prior to the opening of the selling season in any year the Authority, in consideration of its need for funds in the next fiscal year of other revenues likely to be available to it and to funds held on its account by the State Comptroller, may establish a lower rate for that one season than the rate specified hereinabove in this sub-section; and any such lower rate shall be as deemed by the Authority a sufficient amount to keep the Special Fund of the Authority at an adequate level to meet the requirements of this sub-title relating to the State Tobacco Authority.* Such fee shall be collected at the time any such selling agency is making its first return to the seller or owner, for the tobacco so sold. All fees so collected shall be paid over and accounted for by the selling agency to the Authority, at the end of each selling day. The Authority or its agent may at any reasonable time inspect the books and accounts of any such selling agency to verify the correctness of any such returns.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1961.* 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 May 3, 1961.

CHAPTER 622

(Senate Bill 469)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 37 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Charles County (1959 Edition, being Article 9 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Charles County", sub-title "County Commissioners", to repeal provisions fixing the compensation of the County Commissioners of Charles County while acting as the Roads Board for Charles County.

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