

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

Approved May 3, 1961.

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CHAPTER 795

(House Bill 865)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 401 to 408, inclusive, of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1960 Supplement), title "Natural Resources", sub-title "Forests and Parks", sub-heading "Tree Experts"; and to add a new Section 400A to the said Article of the Code, to follow immediately after Section 400 thereof and to be under the sub-heading "Tree Experts", requiring a license of all persons engaged in the work or business of a tree expert; revising the definition of "tree expert"; eliminating the words "silviculturist" and "certified", wherever they appear; and correcting, clarifying, and revising the licensing requirements and the penalty, reciprocity and other provisions of the law.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Sections 401 to 408, inclusive, of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1960 Supplement), title "Natural Resources", sub-title "Forests and Parks", sub-heading "Tree Experts", be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, and that new Section 400A be and is hereby added to the said Article of the Code, to follow immediately after Section 400 thereof and to be under the sub-heading "Tree Experts", all to read as follows:

400A. *No person shall engage in the work or business of a tree expert without a license issued under the provisions of this sub-heading.*

401.

As used in this sub-heading:

"Tree expert" means a person *who holds himself out as being skilled* in the science of tree care *and* who, whether in his own business or as the employee of another *person, partnership, corporation, organization or business* and whether under the title of arborist [silviculturist] tree specialist, tree surgeon, tree expert or otherwise [devotes the regular business hours of the day to] *engages in the business or work of the treatment and care of trees, that is to say, making diagnoses, and prescribing and supervising treatment for trees, for compensation.*

"Licensed [certified] tree experts" "EXPERT" means a person who has received from the Commission of Forests and Parks a license displaying his or her qualifications to practice as a tree expert.

AN EMPLOYEE UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED TREE EXPERT SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO HAVE A LICENSE IN HIS OWN NAME.