

sub-title "Eggs", and to enact ~~twelve~~ ELEVEN new Sections to stand in the place and stead of the Sections so repealed, said new sections to be known as Sections 160-166D, inclusive, and to stand in the place of the sections so repealed, relating to the sale of shell eggs in this state, and establishing grading, quality, size and weight standards therefor; prohibiting the sale of eggs failing to meet such standards; imposing marking, labeling and invoice requirements with respect to such sale; and making provision for the promulgation of a special grade or grades of eggs and for conditions relating to the sale thereof; and providing for enforcement of the Act and imposing penalties for violation of the provisions thereof.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Sections 160-166, inclusive, of Article 48 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Inspections", sub-title "Eggs", be and they are hereby repealed; and new Sections 160-166D, inclusive, are hereby enacted, to stand in the place of the Sections so repealed and to read as follows:*

160.

*No person shall sell, offer, or expose for sale, advertise or in any manner represent for sale shell eggs to a retailer or consumer unless such shell eggs shall meet a standard of quality, a grade and size (weight) classification, as provided for in this sub-title.*

161.

*The Maryland standard for quality of individual shell eggs shall be the same as the United States Department of Agriculture Standard of AA quality, A quality, B quality and C quality. The Maryland consumer grades for shell eggs shall be Grade AA, Grade A, Grade B and Grade C, except as provided in Section ~~166A~~ 166 of this sub-title. No descriptive term or terms other than the applicable grade and size designations, shall be used when eggs are offered for sale, exposed for sale, sold or advertised, except the descriptive term "Fresh", and for eggs produced in Maryland, the term "Maryland Fresh" may be used in addition to the applicable grade and size designation; provided further that terms "Fresh" and "Maryland Fresh" may not be used for eggs below A quality. Final determinations as to meeting the standard of quality for shell eggs shall be made by candling.*

162.

*The size (or weight) classification for individual shell eggs in Maryland shall be the same as official United States Department of Agriculture Weight Classes for shell eggs for the following classifications: Jumbo, Extra Large, Large, Medium, and Small. provided that shell eggs not classified as to size must be designated as unclassified in lieu of a size classification. Weights as permitted in this sub-title shall be net weight and shall not include the weight of any container.*

163.

*No person shall sell or offer to sell, or deliver any shell eggs not properly designated in respect to quality and size standard, as pro-*