

<i>Rate</i>	<i>Cubic feet of gas in storage</i>
<i>No fee</i>	<i>On the first 5 billion</i>
<i>2 per centum</i>	<i>On all over 5 billion but not over 10 billion</i>
<i>4 per centum</i>	<i>On all over 10 billion but not over 15 billion</i>
<i>6 per centum</i>	<i>On all over 15 billion but not over 20 billion</i>
<i>8 per centum</i>	<i>On all over 20 billion but not over 25 billion</i>
<i>10 per centum</i>	<i>On all over 25 billion</i>

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Nothing herein contained shall limit or impair any right to exercise the power of eminent domain which may be vested in any gas storage company by any other law.

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Nothing herein contained shall directly or indirectly, either by implication or otherwise, repeal, amend, alter, render null and void, or otherwise affect any other law or laws of the State of Maryland or its political subdivisions relating to the underground storage of gas; OR THE POLLUTION OF UNDERGROUND WATERS.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That, if any provision, phrase, or clause of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect other provisions, phrases, clauses, or application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, phrase, clause, or application, and to this end the provisions, phrases, and clauses of this Act are declared to be severable.*

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1965.*

Approved May 4, 1965.

CHAPTER 713

(House Bill 357)

AN ACT to add a new Section 47 to Article 64A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1964 Cumulative Supplement), title "Merit System," to follow immediately after Section 46 thereof, to provide that all unclassified employees of the Department of Public Buildings and Grounds in Annapolis, Division of Operation and Maintenance, as of July 1, 1965, shall be included in the Classified Service of the State, subject to satisfactorily completing a six (6) months' probationary period.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a new Section 47 be, and it is hereby added to Article 64A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1964 Cumulative Supplement), title "Merit System," to follow immediately after Section 46 thereof, to read as follows:*