

SECTION 178—RESTAURANTS

SECTION 179—PLUMBERS AND GAS FITTERS

SECTION 180—CONSTRUCTION FIRMS OR COMPANIES

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1965.

Approved May 4, 1965.

CHAPTER 645

(Senate Bill 269)

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 66 $\frac{1}{2}$ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition, 1964 Cumulative Supplement), title "Motor Vehicles", sub-title "Administration—Registration—Titling", said new section to be known as Section 81 A and to follow immediately after Section 81 of said Article, authorizing the State Roads Commission, acting jointly with the Department of Maryland State Police, after due notice and hearing, to promulgate rules and regulations relating to certain movements of oversize and overweight vehicles on the highways.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That a new section be and is hereby added to Article 66 $\frac{1}{2}$ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition, 1964 Cumulative Supplement), said new section to be known as Section 81 A and to follow immediately after Section 81 of said Article, and to read as follows:

WHEREAS, the State Roads Commission is authorized by law to issue permits for the movement of oversize and overweight vehicles on the highways of the State, and

WHEREAS, in certain cases hardships exist because the Commission does not have the authority to administer the oversize and overweight law with the degree of flexibility necessary to reasonably accommodate political subdivisions of the State, contractors, heavy equipment manufacturers and others.

81 A (1).

In order to facilitate the obtaining of permits for the movement of oversize and overweight vehicles on the highways and to eliminate undue hardships to political subdivisions, contractors, and the movers of heavy or large equipment over the highways and in order to make possible the issuing of permits, when circumstances justify, under which more than one move can be made, the State Roads Commission, acting in conjunction with the Department of Maryland State Police, is hereby authorized and empowered to formulate rules and regulations implementing the statutes relating to the movement of oversize and overweight vehicles on highways, provided, however, such regulations shall not modify or enlarge the height, width, length and weight of vehicles now or hereafter authorized by law to use the highways of the State. The Commission is further authorized, with