

75.

*Any person doing business in this State as a well driller shall comply with the applicable provisions of this subtitle.*

76.

*For purposes of this subtitle:*

*A "well" is any penetration in the ground whether drilled, bored, cored or dug for water, ~~gas, or oil,~~ or any exploration for water. ; ~~gas or oil.~~*

*A "well driller" is a person in responsible charge of the actual drilling, boring, coring or digging or construction, alteration or repair of any well. "~~Supervision~~" shall not be construed to require the constant presence of or attendance of a well driller at any job sites at any particular times during the operation.*

*The "Board" is the Maryland State Board of Well Drillers.*

*The "business of well drilling" includes the construction, alteration or repair of a water well and related equipment necessary to draw and purify water from the drilled well, including water pump, tank and/or water conditioning equipment.*

77.

*(a) No license or authority other than as is issued or permitted pursuant to this subtitle shall authorize any person to engage in business in this State as a well driller. No county or city of this State may require that any person obtain an authorization or license to do business as a well driller in such county or city; provided, however, that nothing in this subtitle shall be construed to deny any county or city or other agency of this State or any political subdivision right to adopt and enforce ordinances, rules, and regulations with respect to wells or to the use of water.*

*(b) Nothing in this subtitle shall be construed to require a well driller's license for a registered master plumber in connection with the installation or repair of a pump, tank and/or water conditioning equipment.*

*(c) This subtitle shall not apply to drive point wells and hand dug wells.*

78.

*(a) There is hereby created the Maryland State Board of Well Drillers.*

*(b) The Board shall be comprised of seven (7) members appointed by the Governor for terms of two (2) years with the advice and consent of the Senate. Of the seven appointments, one shall represent the Eastern Shore which shall comprise the counties of Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico and Worcester; one shall represent Central Maryland which shall comprise the counties of Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, Howard and Montgomery and Baltimore City; one shall represent Southern Maryland which shall comprise the counties of Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's, and St. Mary's; and one shall represent*