

61.

(d) (1) For the protection of the people of this State, [it shall be the duty of] the Department [not] *may refuse* to grant a license to any person as a dealer, used car dealer, motorcycle dealer, or trailer dealer, [nor shall it continue] *or may suspend, revoke or refuse to continue* a license of a dealer, used car dealer, motorcycle dealer, or trailer dealer already issued, where the Department finds that:

(i) The person, management personnel of the dealer, used car dealer, motorcycle dealer, or trailer dealer, or any other person who shall have a financial interest, whether direct or indirect, in such business, are untrustworthy, lack competence or has been convicted by final judgment in any state or federal court of a crime of moral turpitude.

(ii) The vehicle sales transactions of the person have been marked by a practice of failure to perform contracts, or

(iii) By fraud or bad faith.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1969.

Approved April 23, 1969.

CHAPTER 314

(House Bill 520)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 253(d) of Article 66 $\frac{1}{2}$ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Supplement), title "Motor Vehicles," subtitle "Operation of Vehicles Upon Highways," ~~to require open trucks to cover their loads.~~ RELATING GENERALLY TO THE LOADING OF TRUCKS.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 253(d) of Article 66 $\frac{1}{2}$ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Supplement), title "Motor Vehicles," subtitle "Operation of Vehicles Upon Highways," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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(d) All trucks operating on highways shall be loaded in such a manner ~~that reasonable care shall be taken~~ to prevent the load or any part thereof from BLOWING, falling or spilling upon the highway. [in such manner as to create a traffic hazard or public nuisance.] It shall be unlawful for a person or the persons responsible for construction or excavation work to permit materials, dirt or debris to be loaded in such a manner that the load or any part thereof shall BLOW, fall or spill upon a public street or highway. Further, should materials, dirt, or debris be so deposited upon a public street or highway, the person, persons, firm or corporation responsible for the construction or excavation work shall promptly provide necessary personnel to remove same from the street or highway immediately adjacent to