

thereafter, in addition to the fine imposed; such revocation shall be mandatory.

(6) The privilege of registering as a farm truck shall be available only to Class E motor vehicles within a chassis weight of more than $\frac{3}{4}$ ton, as enumerated hereinabove. Except as particularly provided otherwise, the provisions of law as to Class E, pneumatic tire motor vehicles in general shall apply also to Class E, pneumatic tire farm trucks.

(7) If such vehicle is a single unit truck, with a chassis weight in excess of 2,500 pounds, equipped to perform the function of a tow truck and is used exclusively for towing vehicles for the purpose of repair, storage, or removal of abandoned vehicles from the public highways, it shall pay a registration fee based on a maximum gross weight of 17,000 pounds, as set forth in subsection (f) (1) of this section, regardless of the shipping weight of the chassis and battery as certified by the manufacturer, provided such shipping weight of the chassis and battery as certified by the manufacturer is in excess of 2,500 pounds.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1970.*

Approved April 22, 1970

CHAPTER 275

(Senate Bill 332)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 11(a) (2) of Article 90 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume), title "Sureties," subtitle "Contract Performance and Payment Bonds," to include in the coverage thereof, lessors of equipment for State projects.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 11(a) (2) of Article 90 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume), title "Sureties," subtitle "Contract Performance and Payment Bonds," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:*

11(a) (2).

A payment bond executed by a surety company authorized to do business in this State satisfactory to the public body for the protection of all persons supplying labor and materials, *including lessors of equipment,* TO THE EXTENT OF THE FAIR RENTAL VALUE THEREOF, to the contractor or his subcontractor in the prosecution of the work provided for in the contract for the use of each such person. The bond shall be in the amount not less than fifty per centum (50%) of the total amount payable by the terms of the contract. Any contractor covered by such a bond shall not be required to furnish a waiver of mechanics' liens to the State. Any contractor prior to receiving a progress or final payment under a contract cov-