

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 30 of Article 89 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume and 1970 Supplement), title "Division of Labor and Industry," subtitle "Occupational Safety," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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It shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to aid and assist employers in carrying out their responsibilities under Section 29 and to suggest and recommend to employers or groups of employers methods and procedures by which they may develop safety programs to carry out such responsibilities. Within the ~~the~~ ~~Department~~ *Division* of Labor and Industry, there shall be a ~~Division of~~ Safety Engineering and Education *Service*, which on behalf of and under the Commissioner of Labor and Industry shall study, analyze and investigate into the causes of industrial and occupational accidents and formulate, plan and conduct programs and courses designed to reduce such accidents. The ~~Division of~~ Safety Engineering and Education *Service* shall have such clerks, and other employees and technical assistants as shall be provided from time to time in the budget. ~~The Commissioner of Labor and Industry shall appoint at least six additional inspectors to be designated safety inspectors, who shall be qualified and trained in occupational safety, and who shall be charged with responsibility for enforcement of safety codes in construction and other hazardous industries in the State at large, with salaries and travel expenses provided in the annual budget. The Commissioner of Labor and Industry shall further appoint at least three~~ *nine* additional inspectors, who shall be technically qualified, and who shall be charged with responsibility for enforcement of safety codes relative to amusement rides or devices and temporary and/or permanent structures at carnivals, fairs and amusement parks or other areas where such rides, devices or structures may be situated. These inspectors shall also be charged with responsibility for enforcement of safety codes for passenger and freight elevators in permanent installations and workmen's and material hoists on construction projects with salaries and travel expenses of such inspectors provided in the annual budget. Upon the request of any company licensed to insure and insuring elevators in this State, the Commissioner of Labor and Industry is empowered and authorized to deputize qualified inspectors of said company as special elevator inspectors and shall formulate rules and regulations defining the authority of those deputized and the reporting of inspections made by said inspectors. Such special elevator inspectors shall receive no salary from, nor shall any of their expenses be paid by, the State. All full-time employees of the ~~Division of~~ Safety Engineering and Education *Service* shall be subject generally to the provisions of Article 64A of the Code, title "Merit System."

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1971.

Approved May 6, 1971.