

sions relating to weigh masters and the licensing of weigh masters, and relating generally to weights and measures and the sale of products by weight or measure.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 1 through 4, 7 through 10, 12, 13, 15 through 24, 26 (a), 28, 32 through 36, 66 and 67 of Article 97 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume and 1971 Supplement), title "Weights and Measures," subtitles "Standard Weights and Measures" and "Solid Fuel," be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments; that Sections 29 and 31 of said article and title, subtitle "Standard Weights and Measures," be and they are hereby repealed; and that new Sections 31 and 31A be and they are hereby added to said article, title, and subtitle, to follow immediately after Section 30 thereof, and all to read as follows:

1. *State Primary Standards; [What] what constitutes; custody; use.*

[The weights and measures received from the United States under joint resolutions of Congress approved June 14, 1836, and July 27, 1866, and/or such weights and measures in conformity therewith as shall be supplied by the State shall, when the same shall have been certified by the National Bureau of Standards, be the State] *Such weights and measures in conformity with the standards of the United States as have been supplied to the State for use as primary standards shall, when the same shall have been approved as being satisfactory for use as such by the National Bureau of Standards, be the State primary standards of weight and measure. The State primary standards shall be kept in a safe and suitable place in the [office of the State Superintendent] laboratory of the State Office of Weights and Measures, they shall not be removed from the said [office] laboratory except for repairs or for [certification] calibration [, and they shall be submitted at least once in ten years to the National Bureau of Standards for certification. The State standards shall be used only in verifying the office standards and for scientific purposes.] and approval. The traceability of the State primary standards to the United States prototype standards kept by the National Bureau of Standards shall be verified from time to time and not less frequently than once in ten years. The state primary standards will be used to calibrate and verify the accuracy of all secondary standards which, from time to time, may be obtained by a city, town, or county for the enforcement of this subtitle. The state primary standards and laboratory facilities may be made available to other interested persons and the Superintendent may promulgate regulations establishing procedures and reasonable fees for such service.*

2. [Office and working standards and equipment.] *Secondary standards and equipment.*

[In addition to the State standards provided for in Section 1, there shall be supplied by the State at least one complete set of copies of these, to be kept in the office of the State Superintendent of Weights and Measures and to be known as "office standards," and also such other weights and measures, to be known as "working