- (1) "General contractors" or "subcontractor" shall mean any nonresident person, firm, association or corporation that for a fixed price, commission, fee or percentage, undertakes to bid upon, or accepts or offers to accept, orders or contracts for performing or superintending: (a) any work on or in any building or structure requiring the use of paint, stone, brick, mortar, wood, cement, structural iron or steel, sheet iron, galvanized iron, metallic piping, tin, lead, or other metal or any other building material; or (b) any paving, curbing or other work on sidewalks, streets, alleys, or highways, on public or private property, using asphalt, brick, stone, cement, concrete, wood or any composition; or (c) the excavating of earth, rock, or other material for foundation or any other purpose; or (d) the construction of any sort of stone, brick, terra cotta or other material; or (e) any work involving the erecting, installing, altering or repairing, electric wiring, devices or appliances permanently connected to such wiring; or the erecting, repairing or maintaining of lines for transmission or distribution of electric light and power; or (f) any work involving the installing, altering or repairing of any plumbing, steam fitting or other piping, and provided that any person, firm, association or corporation who shall bid upon, accept or offers to accept, or engage in the doing or the superintending of any work above mentioned in (a) through (f) of this subsection in the State costing \$20,000 or more shall be deemed to have engaged in the business of general contracting or subcontracting in this State.
- (2) "Person" shall mean any person, firm, corporation (as defined in Article 81, §2) or association.
- (3) "Nonresident" shall mean any person, as defined above in (2) who is neither qualified to do business in the State of Maryland in accordance with Article 23, §90 nor is properly qualified or registered with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation as a domestic person defined in (2), and is doing less than eighty percent (80%) of his business in the State of Maryland.
- (4) "Inspector" shall mean the chief license inspector in the license bureau under the Comptroller's office.
- (5) A singular personal pronoun shall be taken to include any person, firm, association or corporation.
- (c) The inspector shall keep a record and account for all money derived from the operation of this subtitle. All fees collected pursuant to the provisions of this subtitle shall be paid into the State's general fund and warrants for the expenditure of funds from the proper enforcement and execution of this subtitle, including the employment of such clerical assistance as may be necessary, providing adequate office space and actual travel, shall be issued upon vouchers signed and paid by the Comptroller out of such funds. All excess funds shall revert to the general fund.
- (d) The inspector shall keep a register of all applicants registration, showing for each the date of application, the name, qualifications, place of business, place of residence, and whether the certificate of registration was granted or refused. The books and register shall be prima facie evidence of all matters reported therein.
- (e) A roster showing the names and places of business and of residence of all registered contractors shall be prepared by the inspector during the month of August of each year. Such rosters shall be printed by the inspector out of the funds provided for by the Comptroller of Maryland as provided for herein and a copy mailed to and placed on file by the clerk of the circuit court for each of the several counties and by the clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City.
- (f) On or before the first day of August of each year, the Comptroller shall submit to the Governor a report of the transactions for the preceding year, together with a complete statement of receipts and expenditures attested to by the