

PREFERENCE SHALL BE GIVEN TO THE REQUESTS OF GROWERS AND THEN TO OTHER OWNERS REQUESTING STORAGE.

(B) CHARGES.

ALL TOBACCO RECEIVED FOR STORAGE ONLY IS SUBJECT TO A CHARGE FIXED BY THE SECRETARY AND IS SUBJECT TO A 30 DAY NOTICE BY THE SECRETARY FOR IMMEDIATE REMOVAL, AND TO ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND RULES AND REGULATIONS.

(C) INSPECTION ONLY UPON REQUEST.

THE SECRETARY OR ANY PRIVATE INSPECTOR MAY NOT INSPECT STORAGE-ONLY TOBACCO UNLESS THE OWNER REQUESTS INSPECTION AND PAYS THE APPROPRIATE CHARGES.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section presently appears as Art. 48, §41 of the Code. In subsection (a), the present provision permitting the storage of "tobacco grown in this State" is proposed for deletion because it is practically impossible to enforce this requirement. Tobacco is stored in closed hogsheads and, consequently, the only way to enforce this provision would be to open every hogshead admitted for storage. However, the Department states that no person employed by it could identify the state of origin of the tobacco. The Department would like to be authorized to store out-of-state tobacco so that it could acquire the extra income. At the present time, the Warehouse has plenty of vacant storage space.

In subsection (b), the present provision declaring that stored tobacco is subject to "charges that are currently in force" is proposed for deletion because this charge is actually determined by the Secretary.

The only other changes made are in style.

SEC. 7-320. FREE WAREHOUSE STORAGE FOR SIX MONTHS FROM SALE; CHARGES AFTER SIX MONTHS; NOTICE FOR REMOVAL.

(A) FREE WAREHOUSE STORAGE FOR SIX MONTHS FROM SALE.

ALL TOBACCO INSPECTED IN THE WAREHOUSE IS ENTITLED