

applicant to the State Roads Commission of a fee for the use of the State Roads Commission in the amount of two dollars (\$2.00) for the first 100 square feet or less of billboard or other structure on which advertising does or may appear, and for each additional square foot of the surface used or to be used for such purpose a sum of one cent (1 ct.) per square foot, provided that no such permit shall be issued by the State Roads Commission, if the maintenance, construction or erection of such advertisement would injuriously affect the safety of public travel on State highways by dangerously obstructing the clear view of the highway by one operating a motor vehicle thereon, and provided further that nothing herein contained shall be construed to confer upon the State Roads Commission the power to issue any such permits for the maintenance, construction or erection of any such advertisement within any area over which the General Assembly of Maryland has conferred zoning powers in any board or body unless the application for the permit provided for in this section shall be accompanied by a certificate which satisfies the State Roads Commission that the said board or body in whom such zoning powers are vested has approved of the maintenance, construction or erection of said advertisement as applied for.

(e) Permits may be renewed from time to time for a term or terms of one year each upon payment of the fee due as provided for in this section, and may be granted at any time during a calendar year, to expire on the thirtieth day of April, following, upon compliance with the terms of this section, and payment of such proportion of 1¢ (one cent) a square foot of each billboard or other structure or advertisement to be used as aforesaid, as the unexpired portion of the years bears to a full year, provided that the minimum fee shall in no case be less than one dollar (\$1.00).

The State Roads Commission in considering applications for permits for the erection of billboards, signs or similar structures for display advertising shall not grant a permit for the erection or maintenance of any billboard or other similar structure, sign, poster or display advertising, except directional and warning signs erected by or with the approval of the Commission, under the following conditions:

(1) Within a distance of 200 feet of an intersection of a public highway with another highway or parkway or with a railroad or street railway, or at any point where it would obstruct or interfere with the view of a train, locomotive, streetcar or other vehicle so approaching such intersection, or so as to obstruct the view of any such intersection, or in any manner dangerous to the public.

(2) The State Roads Commission is hereby authorized and empowered to reject any application for a permit for