(House Bill 1672)

AN ACT concerning

Tobacco Authority - Auction Markets

FOR the purpose of changing the date on which the Tobacco Authority shall meet to determine the dates of the annual auction markets and changing the date of publication of such dates.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article — Agriculture Section 7-208 Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1975 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 7-208 of Article - Agriculture, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1975 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article ' - Agriculture

7-208.

The authority shall determine annually the opening and closing dates for the state tobacco auction markets. To assist it in making this determination, the authority shall call a meeting of licensed commission selling agencies and loose leaf auction buyers not later than [December 1] JANUARY 15 of each year. The authority shall give written notice of this meeting to every licensed commission selling agency and loose leaf auction buyer at least ten days in advance of the date of the meeting. The authority shall publish the opening and closing dates not later than [December] FEBRUARY 10 of each year.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1976.

Approved May 4, 1976.

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