

SECTION ~~[[2]]~~3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1976.

Approved May 17, 1976.

CHAPTER 569

(Senate Bill 292)

AN ACT concerning

Workmen's Compensation - Uninsured Employers' Fund

FOR the purpose of providing that the Board of Public Works shall give to the Uninsured Employers' Fund a certain amount of money which shall be repaid.

WHEREAS, The Uninsured Employers' Fund was established to provide workmen's compensation benefits to employees whose employers are uninsured; and

WHEREAS, This Fund was originally set up by an appropriation from the Board of Public Works as provided by Chapter 152 of 1967; and

WHEREAS, The level of the Fund is presently dangerously low and if it is depleted, deserving employees will be denied workmen's compensation benefits; and

WHEREAS, Another appropriation from the Board of Public Works is necessary to maintain the Fund; and

WHEREAS, This money should be repaid the Board; and

WHEREAS, The law provides for the collection of assessments against uninsured employers, and with improved collection techniques these assessments could be used to repay the Board; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Board of Public Works shall provide out of the contingent funds of the Board the sum of \$100,000 for the continued operation and administration of the Uninsured Employers' Fund, which amount shall be repaid upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon by the Board and the Workmen's Compensation Commission.