

Maryland Commercial Fertilizer Law

FOR the purpose of correcting a technical error relating to the enforcement of the Maryland Commercial Fertilizer Law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Agriculture
Section 6-214(b) and 6-215
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1974 Volume and 1977 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article - Agriculture

6-214.

(b) The Secretary may petition the circuit court of the county in which the commercial fertilizer or soil conditioner is located, if the fertilizer is located there, to seize any lot of commercial [feed] FERTILIZER OR SOIL CONDITIONER not in compliance with this subtitle. If the court finds the material to be in violation of the provisions of this subtitle and orders condemnation of the commercial fertilizer or soil conditioner, the material shall be disposed of in any manner consistent with the quality of the commercial fertilizer or soil conditioner and the laws of the State. The court may not dispose of the material without first giving the claimant an opportunity to apply to the court for release of it or for permission to process or relabel it so that it complies with the provisions of this subtitle.

6-215.

In any prosecution under this subtitle relating to the composition of a lot of commercial [feed] FERTILIZER OR SOIL CONDITIONER, a certified copy of the official analysis signed by the Secretary or the State Chemist is prima facie evidence of the composition.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1978.

Approved May 2, 1978.