SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1982.

Approved May 20, 1982.

CHAPTER 331

(House Bill 188)

AN ACT concerning

Pesticide Applicator's Law - Inspection for Pests

FOR the purpose of granting clarifying the Maryland Secretary of Agriculture-the Agriculture's authority to adopt standards governing property inspections and the identification of pests under the Pesticide Applicator's Law; and granting the Secretary the authority to regulate persons who are in the business of inspecting for, identifying or controlling pests in the environment.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Agriculture Section 5-201(k) and 5-204 Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1981 Supplement)

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

Article - Agriculture

5-201.

(k) "Pest control consultant" means any person who engages in the business of offering or supplying technical advice or supervision, INSPECTING FOR OR IDENTIFYING PESTS, or recommending the use of specific pesticides for the purpose of controlling pests in or on water, AIR, land, plants, [farm] structures, or animals.

5-204.

The Secretary, by suitable administrative procedures including public hearings, if appropriate, shall:

(1) Adopt rules and regulations governing the storage, sale, distribution, exchange, use, and disposal of