

requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to confirm the registration status in writing within a certain time and to give notice of any changes in status; authorizing the Commissioner to promulgate rules and regulations, undertake necessary investigations and make certain inspections to administer and enforce this Act; authorizing the Commissioner to refuse to issue or renew or to suspend or revoke a certificate of registration under certain circumstances; prohibiting a person from engaging or using the services of a farm labor contractor once that person has received actual notice that ~~the--State registration--of--the--farm--labor--contractor~~ the farm labor contractor lacks a State certificate of registration or that the certificate has been revoked or suspended; providing for certain administrative procedures prior to suspension or revocation of registration; authorizing the Commissioner to assess certain civil penalties for violation of this Act giving consideration to certain factors; establishing certain criminal sanctions against a farm labor contractor for violation of this Act or against any person interfering with its administration or enforcement; requiring execution of a certain agreement between the Commissioner and the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Labor to minimize duplicative registration and enforcement activities prior to any enforcement of the provisions of this Act; providing for an effective date of the first day of January, 1983; and generally relating to farm labor contractor registration in this State.

BY adding to

Article 100 - Work, Labor and Employment
 Section 80A through 80F to be under the new subtitle
 "Farm Labor Contractor Registration"
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (1979 Replacement 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 100 - Work, Labor and Employment

80A.

(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE, THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(1) "AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION" MEANS ANY NONPROFIT OR COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION OF FARMERS OR GROWERS INCORPORATED AND QUALIFIED UNDER MARYLAND LAW WHICH