

CONTRACTORS MAY ENTER UPON PRIVATE PROPERTY TO COLLECT DATA AND OTHERWISE CONDUCT ENVIRONMENTAL AND ENGINEERING STUDIES RELATED TO POTENTIAL SITES FOR ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITIES, POTENTIAL CORRIDORS FOR RAIL AND PIPELINE ACCESS TO ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITIES, AND POTENTIAL OVERHEAD TRANSMISSION LINES IN EXCESS OF 69,000 VOLTS. THE STUDIES MAY INCLUDE THE INSTALLATION OF METEOROLOGICAL TESTING EQUIPMENT, BIOLOGICAL SAMPLING, SOIL BORINGS, AND INSTALLATION OF TEST WELLS.

(2) ENTRY ONTO PRIVATE PROPERTY AS AUTHORIZED BY PARAGRAPH (1) SHALL NOT BE UNDERTAKEN WITHOUT PRIOR CONSENT OF THE PROPERTY OWNER. IF, AFTER REAL AND BONA FIDE EFFORT, THE CONSENT OF THE PROPERTY OWNER CANNOT BE SECURED, THE DEPARTMENT MAY APPLY TO ~~A-LAW-OR-EQUITY~~ THE CIRCUIT COURT WHERE THE PROPERTY OR ANY PART OF IT IS LOCATED FOR AN ORDER DIRECTING THAT ENTRY BE PERMITTED. "BONA FIDE EFFORT" SHALL INCLUDE EITHER 30 DAYS' ADVANCE NOTICE IN WRITING BY CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED, TO THE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS OF THE PROPERTY OWNER OR POSTING NOTICE ON THE PROPERTY NOT LESS THAN 30 DAYS IN ADVANCE, OR SUCH OTHER REQUIREMENTS AS THE COURT MAY DEEM APPROPRIATE.

(3) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REIMBURSE THE LANDOWNER OR LESSEE WHO IS FARMING THE PROPERTY FOR THOSE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS ~~PRESENTLY-BEING-DEVELOPED~~ WHICH ARE EITHER DESTROYED OR DAMAGED BY ITS AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, OR CONTRACTORS. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY OTHER DAMAGES THAT MAY BE INCURRED AS A RESULT OF ENTRY ON PRIVATE PROPERTY AS AUTHORIZED BY THIS SECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1984.

Approved May 29, 1984.

CHAPTER 602

(House Bill 274)

AN ACT concerning

Veterans Commission - Membership Requirement

FOR the purpose of requiring that members of the Maryland Veterans Commission have ~~an--honorable--discharge--from--the~~ armed--forces be persons whose final separation from active service with a uniformed service of the United States was under honorable conditions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Government