### CHAPTER 36

## (House Bill 102)

#### AN ACT concerning

# Pesticide Applicator's Law

FOR the purpose of requiring a public agency that applies pesticides and a person who sells or distributes certain pesticides to hold a permit issued by the Secretary of Agriculture; requiring an applicant for a public agency applicator certificate to pass a certain examination; and authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to establish requirements and grounds for issuing, revoking, or suspending certain permits.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Agriculture Section 5-206 and 5-207 Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1984 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

## Article - Agriculture

5-206.

- (a) The Secretary shall establish, by rule or regulation, qualifications for licensing and certification in each category established by § 5-207 to assure competence and responsibility in the application of pesticides.
- (b) The Secretary may issue licenses, PERMITS, and certificates only to an applicant who meets the requirements established by the Department.
- (c) The Secretary may establish the conditions under which licenses, PERMITS, and certificates may be revoked or suspended.
- (d) The Secretary may establish minimum requirements for financial responsibility for all damages which may be incurred in the commercial application of pesticides.

5-207.

(a) Each custom applicator, pest control consultant, pest control applicator, and public agency applicator shall obtain an annual certificate indicating competence in one or more