

(1980 Replacement Volume and 1985 Supplement)

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

Article 56 - Licenses

179.

(C) IF THE FEE IN THE STATE OF THE NONRESIDENT IS HIGHER THAN THE FEE IN THIS STATE, A NONRESIDENT PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION WHICH IS INCORPORATED IN OR HAS CENTRAL OFFICES LOCATED IN A STATE OTHER THAN THIS STATE SHALL:

(1) BE SUBJECT TO ALL THE FEES IMPOSED ON A SIMILAR NONRESIDENT BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF INCORPORATION OR THE STATE WHERE THE CENTRAL OFFICES ARE LOCATED; AND

(2) IN LIEU OF THE LICENSING FEES REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, PAY THE LICENSING FEE IMPOSED ON A SIMILAR NONRESIDENT BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF INCORPORATION OR THE STATE WHERE THE CENTRAL OFFICES ARE LOCATED.

180.

(a) (1) Any person, firm or corporation accepting orders or contracts for doing any work on or in any building or structure, requiring the use of paint, stone, brick, mortar, wood, cement, structural iron or steel, sheet iron, galvanized iron, metallic piping, tin, lead, electric wiring or other metal, or any other building material, or who shall accept contracts to do any paving or curbing on sidewalks or streets, public or private property, using asphalt, brick, stone, cement, wood or any composition, or who shall accept an order for or contract to excavate earth, rock, or other material for foundations or any other purpose, or who shall accept an order or contract to construct any sewer of stone, brick, terra cotta, or other material, shall be deemed to be carrying on the business of construction.

(2) Each person, firm or corporation, who shall carry on the business of construction as mentioned in this section, shall before doing so, first take out a license therefor and pay an annual license fee of \$30 in Baltimore City or \$15 in each county.

(b) In addition to the requirements set forth in [subsection] SUBSECTIONS (a) AND (D) of this section, any nonresident person, firm or corporation desiring to carry on the business of construction in this State, as defined in subsection (a) shall:

(1) Obtain a license by paying an annual fee of \$50 and applying to the clerk of the circuit court in the county where the work will be performed; and