

~~the signs remain posted for a certain period after the application, making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to pesticide applicators.~~

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Agriculture

~~Section 5-206, 5-207, and 5-208~~

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1985 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Agriculture

Section 5-207.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1985 Replacement Volume and 1993 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, REINSTATED, OR RENEWED.

(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) (1) Each pest control consultant, pest control applicator, or public agency applicator shall obtain an annual certificate indicating competence in one or more established categories from the Secretary.~~

~~(2) Each private applicator shall obtain a certificate which shall require periodic renewal as determined by the Secretary.~~

~~(b) (1) Each application for a certificate by a pest control consultant or pest control applicator shall be accompanied by a \$50 certificate fee plus \$25 for each category in excess of one.~~

~~(2) Each application for a private applicator certificate shall be accompanied by a fee of \$7.~~