

OPERATION ~~SOLELY~~ WITHIN THE STATE IS NOT REQUIRED TO OBTAIN IDENTIFICATION MARKERS FOR THOSE COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLES TO OPERATE IN THE STATE.

(b) To qualify for an identification marker, a motor carrier shall:

(1) submit to the Comptroller an application on the form that the Comptroller requires; and

(2) pay to the Comptroller \$7 for each marker.

(c) (1) By regulation, the Comptroller shall establish procedures to issue trip permits and to provide evidence of compliance with this subtitle.

(2) To qualify for a trip permit for a commercial motor vehicle, a motor carrier shall pay to the Comptroller an amount rounded to the nearest dollar equal to the current motor carrier tax payable on 174 gallons of special fuel for each commercial motor vehicle.

(3) Fees for trip permits are in lieu of the motor carrier tax.

(d) (1) A commercial motor vehicle identification marker is effective on an annual basis from January 1 through December 31 of each year.

(2) A trip permit is valid for the 15 consecutive days shown on the permit and only for the specific commercial motor vehicle shown on the permit.

[(3) If a commercial motor vehicle displays a valid identification marker on December 31, the vehicle is not considered to be in violation of this section for failure to obtain a new marker until January 15 of the next year.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect January 1, 1998.

Approved May 8, 1997.

CHAPTER 412

(House Bill 176)

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services -- Division of Correction --
Corrective Bill**

FOR the purpose of repealing certain obsolete references to the Maryland Penitentiary and references to other State correctional institutions; ~~altering certain references to the correctional and reformatory institutions under the Division of Correction;~~ clarifying that the Commissioner of Correction may designate any correctional institution or facility under the jurisdiction of the Division of Correction as the site for carrying out certain sentences; repealing certain obsolete references to the