

The full text of the proposed regulations shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in every county affected by the regulation at least 10 days prior to its consideration. The published notice shall state the date, time, and place the proposed regulation is to be considered and that any interested person may be heard on the proposal. If, upon considering the advisability of the proposed regulation or any part of the regulation, the Secretary adopts the regulation, the Secretary shall give notice of the effective date of the regulation in the same manner as the regulation was proposed.

(c) In case of fire hazard or other emergency, the Secretary may adopt any regulation pursuant to subsection (a) of this section. The regulation becomes effective immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation in every county affected by the regulation.

(d) The Secretary shall mail a copy of the adopted regulations to the clerk of the circuit court of every county which is affected by the regulation. The clerk shall record and post in front of the courthouse every regulation adopted.

(e) In addition to any other penalty provided in this title, any person convicted of violating any regulation adopted by the Department shall be fined \$5 for each bird, mammal, amphibian, or reptile illegally hunted or possessed. However, this additional penalty does not apply to game birds and mammals. If a person is convicted a second or subsequent time within the same 12 month period for a violation of the regulations the Department adopts, the person:

- (1) Shall have the person's hunter's license suspended; and
- (2) May not procure a hunter's license the following calendar year.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1991.

Approved April 30, 1991.

CHAPTER 95

(Senate Bill 125)

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Covered Loads – Agricultural Products

FOR the purpose of specifying that sod is an "agricultural product" which, in its natural state, is not a "loose material" subject to certain vehicle load cover requirements.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 24-106.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1987 Replacement Volume and 1990 Supplement)