5-508. REPORT TO LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE.

SUBJECT TO § 2-1312 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, ON DECEMBER 15 OF EACH YEAR, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL SUBMIT TO THE LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE A REPORT THAT INCLUDES:

- (1) THE DIVISION'S FINDINGS ON THE SAFETY TRAINING AND ACCIDENT RATE OF OPERATORS OF POWER EQUIPMENT; AND
- (2) ANY RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from Art. 89, § 33A(e), as enacted by Ch. 481, Acts of 1990 and to take effect April 1, 1992.

Defined terms: "Commissioner" § 5–101 "Power equipment" § 5–501

## GENERAL REVISOR'S NOTE TO SUBTITLE:

Section 4 of Ch. 481, Acts of 1990 states that the penalty provisions of Art. 89, § 40 — now Part III of Subtitle 8 of this title — do not apply until April 1, 1993.

SUBTITLE 6. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

5-601. ASBESTOS PROTECTIVE CLOTHING.

(A) LEGISLATIVE POLICY.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS THAT:

- (1) EXPOSURE TO ASBESTOS, A KNOWN CARCINOGENIC AGENT, CREATES A SIGNIFICANT HAZARD TO THE HEALTH OF THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE:
- (2) ASBESTOS PROTECTIVE CLOTHING THAT IS USED IMPROPERLY OR THAT IS NOT MAINTAINED PROPERLY EXPOSES A WORKER TO THIS HAZARD;
- (3) PROTECTIVE MATERIALS HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED AS SUBSTITUTES FOR ASBESTOS; AND
- (4) IT IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST TO PROTECT WORKERS FROM THIS HAZARD BY ELIMINATING THE USE OF ASBESTOS PROTECTIVE CLOTHING.
  - (B) PROHIBITIONS.
- (1) A PERSON MAY NOT SELL IN THE STATE ANY ITEM OF NEW OR USED ASBESTOS PROTECTIVE CLOTHING.
  - (2) AN EMPLOYER MAY NOT: