

Nothing in this section shall be construed as preventing a workman from recovering compensation under this Article from the sub-contractor instead of from the contractor.

Whenever an employee of a sub-contractor files a claim under this Article against the principal contractor, the principal contractor shall have the right to join the sub-contractor or any intermediate contractors as defendant or co-defendant in the case.

**61.**

This section referred to in construing section 56—see notes thereto. *Brenner v. Brenner*, 127 Md. 193.

**62.**

See notes to section 14.

1914, ch. 800, sec. 62. 1916, ch. 597. 1916, ch. 86.

**63.** Definitions as used in this Article:

1. "Extra-hazardous employment" means a work or occupation described in Section 32 of this Article.

2. "Employer," except when otherwise expressly stated, means a person, partnership, association, corporation, and the legal representatives of a deceased employer, or the receiver or trustee of a person, partnership, association or corporation employing workmen in extra-hazardous employments.

3. "Employee" means a person who is engaged in an extra-hazardous employment in the service of an employer carrying on or conducting the same upon the premises or at a plant, or in the course of his employment away from the plant of his employer, and shall not include farm laborers. "Farm laborers" as used in this Article shall mean any employees who, at the time of the accident, are engaged in rendering any agricultural service, including the thrashing and harvesting of crops, or who, at the time of the accident, are engaged in service incidental to and in connection with agricultural pursuits or developments, whether the employer be the farmer or other person undertaking or contracting with the farmer to perform any such agricultural service, pursuit or development. This Article shall not apply to farm laborers, domestic servants nor to country blacksmiths, wheelwrights or similar rural employments, nor in any case where the accident occurred before this Article takes effect, nor to casual employees or any employee whose salary is in excess of two thousand dollars a year, or any employees who are employed wholly without the State.

4. "Employment" includes employment only in a trade, business or occupation carried on by the employer for pecuniary gain.

5. "Compensation" means the money allowance payable to an employee or to his dependents as provided for in this Article, and includes funeral benefits provided therein.