

(4) If the covered claims are in excess of \$1,000,000 under any one surety bond, the Corporation shall make a prorated payment on account of each covered claim in the ratio that the covered claim bears to the total amount of all covered claims under the surety bond.

(5) The Corporation is not obligated to a claimant in an amount in excess of the obligation of the insolvent insurer under the surety bond out of which the claim arises.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall apply only to claims against insurers placed in liquidation on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2004.

Approved May 26, 2004.

CHAPTER 555

(House Bill 1541)

AN ACT concerning

Environment - ~~Well Permit Fees - Removal of Cap~~ Well Permits - Fees

FOR the purpose of altering the cap on certain well permit fees that a county board of health may establish to defray certain expenses in inspecting ~~and testing~~ wells, collecting water samples, and issuing certificates of potability; requiring a county board of health to accept certain test results prepared by certain laboratories for the issuance of a certain certificate; requiring a county board of health to issue a certain permit within a reasonable period of time after receipt of a certain application; and generally relating to well ~~permit fees~~ permits.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Environment

Section 9-1307

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

Preamble

WHEREAS, Local health departments across Maryland are responsible for the inspection and testing of residential and commercial wells; and

WHEREAS, The inspection ~~and testing~~ of wells is essential to the protection of the public health of the community; and