

"Entitled "An Act to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service."

"Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That when a personal injury is received by an employee in the service or business of the employer, and such employee is, at the time, in the exercise of due care and diligence, the employer shall be liable to answer in damages to such employee as if he were a stranger and not engaged in such service or employment in the case following:

"1. When the injury is caused by reason of any defect in the condition of the ways, works or machinery connected with or used in the business of the employer which arose from or had not been discovered or remedied, owing to the negligence of the employer or of any person in the service of the employer and entrusted by him with the duty of seeing that the ways, works or machinery were in proper condition; or when the injury is caused by reason of the incompetency of a fellow-servant, in the selection of whom the employer, or any person in the service of the employer and entrusted by him with the duty of selecting servants, did not use due care and diligence.

"2. Where the injury is caused by reason of the negligence of any person in the service of the employer entrusted with and exercising superintendence, whose sole or principal duty is that of superintendence.

When an employer sublets the whole or any part of the work to be done, to a sub-contractor, and the sub-contractor uses the ways, works, machinery or plant owned or furnished by the employer, then any employee of such sub-contractor injured through any defect in such ways, works, machinery or plant, shall have a right of action against the original employer, provided, that such defect arose or had not been discovered or remedied through the negligence of the employer or of some person entrusted by him with the duty of seeing that they were in proper condition.

4. When such injury is caused by reason of the negligence of any person in the employment of the employer who has the charge or control of any signal, switch, locomotive, engine, car or train upon a railroad.