

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this act shall take effect June 1st, 1912.

Approved April 8, 1912.

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CHAPTER 385.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments section 39 of Article 3 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, as enacted by Chapter 495 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1908, title "Baltimore County," sub-title "Circuit Court," and to add a new section to said article to follow section 41 of said article, sub-title "Circuit Court," and to be known as section 41A.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That section 39 of Article 3 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Baltimore County," sub-title "Circuit Court," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows:

39. In any suit when the cause of action is a contract whether in writing or not, or whether expressed or implied, the plaintiff, if affidavit or affirmation be made, as hereinafter stated, shall be entitled to judgment, to be entered by the Court or the clerk thereof on motion in writing at any time after fifteen days from the return day to which the defendant shall have been summoned, although the defendant may have pleaded, unless such plea contains a good defense and unless the defendant or some one in his behalf shall, under oath or affirmation, state that every plea so pleaded by the defenant is true, and shall further state the amount of plaintiff's demand, if anything, admitted to be due or owing, and the amount disputed, and further, that the affiant verily believes the defendant will be able at the trial of the cause to produce sufficient evidence to support the plea as to the portion disputed, and that he is advised by counsel to file the said plea, and such plea shall be accompanied by a certificate of counsel that he so advised the party making such oath or affirmation, and if the co-partnership or incorporation of any of the parties to the suit shall be alleged in the declaration and the affidavit to be filed therewith, as hereinafter provided, or if there shall be filed with the declaration in said cause, any paper purporting to be signed by any defendant therein, the fact of such alleged