An. Code, 1924, sec. 62. 1912, sec. 49. 1904, sec. 38. 1888, sec. 23. 1882, ch. 155, sec. 9.

62. The municipal and county authorities may provide for the use of the inhabitants of their respective city, town or county hospitals or temporary places for the reception of the sick, and for that purpose may themselves build such hospitals or places of reception or contract for the use of any such hospital or part of a hospital or place of reception, or enter into any agreement with any person having the management of any hospital for the reception of the sick inhabitants of their city, town or county on payment of such sum as may be agreed on, or two or more local authorities may combine in providing a common hospital.

This section referred to in upholding use of public funds for erection or maintenance of hospital controlled by private agency. Finan v. Cumberland, 154 Md. 564.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 63. 1912, sec. 50. 1904, sec. 39. 1888, sec. 24. 1882, ch. 155, sec. 10.

63. Any expenses incurred by the authorities of any city, town or county in maintaining in a hospital, or in a temporary place for the reception of the sick, a patient who is not a pauper shall be deemed to be a debt due from such patient to the authorities aforesaid, and may be recovered from him at any time within twelve months after the discharge from such hospital or place of reception, or from his estate, in the event of his dying in such hospital.

Expense by City under this section is preferred claim over general creditors. (Judge Dickerson, Baltimore City Court) Baltimore v. Webb, Daily Record, Nov. 15, 1939.

Manufacture and/or Sale of Mattresses, Etc.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 64. 1924, ch. 370. 1927, ch. 202. 1931, ch. 334.

64. (A) The word "mattress" shall mean any quilted pad, mattress, mattress pad, mattress protector, bunk, quilt or box spring, stuffed or filled with excelsior, straw, hay, grass, corn husks, moss, fibre, cotton, wool, hair, jute, kapok or other soft material to be used on a couch or other bed for sleeping or reclining purposes.

The words "pillow," "bolster," "cushion" or "feather bed" shall mean any bag, case or covering made of cotton, leather or other textile material, and stuffed or filled with excelsior, straw, hay, grass, corn-husks, moss, fibre, cotton, wool, hair, jute, feathers, feather down, kapok or other soft material, to be used on a bed, hammock, chair, couch, divan, sofa, lounge or other article of upholstered furniture for sleeping, reclining or resting purposes.

The words "upholstered furniture" shall mean any article of furniture stuffed or filled with excelsior, straw, hay, grass, corn husks, tow, moss, fibre, cotton, wool, hair, jute, feathers, feather down, kapok or other soft material to be used for sitting, resting or reclining purposes.

The word "comfortable" shall mean any cover, quilt or quilted article made of cotton, or other textile material, and stuffed or filled with fibre, cotton, wool, hair, jute, feathers, feather down, kapok or other soft material.

The word "new," as used in this Section 64, shall mean any material or article which has not been previously manufactured or used for any purpose.

The word "second-hand" shall mean any material or article of which

prior use has been made.

The word "shoddy" shall mean any material which has been spun into yarn, knit or woven into fabric, and subsequently cut up, torn up, broken up, or ground up.