

CHAPTER 185.

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 53 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "Landlord and Tenant," to be under the sub-title "Crop Liens," said new section to be known as Section 24A and to follow immediately after Section 24 of said Article, providing for crop lien agreements, and providing for the effect and recordation thereof.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That a new section be and the same is hereby added to Article 53 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "Landlord and Tenant," to be under sub-title "Crop Liens," said new section to be known as Section 24A and to follow immediately after Section 24 of said Article and to read as follows:

CROP LIENS.

24A. Whenever the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, Regional Agricultural Credit Corporations, the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States, or any federal agency, including the United States of America, now or hereafter authorized to lend money to agricultural producers, or any National or State bank, trust company, agricultural credit corporation, incorporated livestock loan company, savings institution, co-operative bank, co-operative credit association, co-operative marketing association, entitled to re-discount privileges with the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank under the provisions of the Agricultural Credits Act of one thousand nine hundred twenty-three of the United States, or any person, firm or corporation, hereinafter designated as lienees, makes advances either in money or supplies or other things of value to any person, association, partnership or corporation engaged in or about to engage in agricultural pursuits, such of the lienees so making such advances shall have a lien during such time as such advances remain unpaid on all of the crops which may be planted or seeded or fruit crops maturing upon the lands in or about the cultivation of which the advances so made have been or were intended to be expended, after the making of such advances until the repayment of such advances; but such of the lienees making such advances shall not have the benefit of a lien unless there is an agreement in writing, signed by both parties, in which there is specified the amount advanced, or a limit