

in which they respectively reside, but all residing in the same county shall be sued in one action.] *In any action ex contractu in which all of the defendants are not residents of the same County, the plaintiff at his election may sue all said defendants in the County in which any one of the defendants resides or regularly does business. As used in this section, the term "County" includes Baltimore City.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1953.

Approved March 31, 1953.

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## CHAPTER 207

(House Bill 212)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 50 of Article 101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Workmen's Compensation," sub-title "Claims and Compensation; Benefits," providing for lump sum payment of compensation without discount.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 50 of Article 101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Workmen's Compensation," sub-title "Claims and Compensation; Benefits," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

50. In every case providing for compensation to an employee or his dependent, excepting temporary disability, the Commission may, if in its opinion the facts and circumstances of the case warrant it, convert the compensation to be paid in a partial or total lump sum, *without discount.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1953.

Approved March 31, 1953.

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EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.