

All buildings on a farm and on any premises devoted solely to agricultural pursuits are exempt from the provisions and the application of both building and housing codes.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1961.*

Approved March 23, 1961.

CHAPTER 142

(Senate Bill 267)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 5 (c) of Article 59 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1960 Supplement), title "Lunatics and Insane", sub-title "Lunatic or Insane Paupers", to provide for the determination of the liability of parents, spouses or children for persons committed to State mental hospitals.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 5 (c) of Article 59 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1960 Supplement), title "Lunatics and Insane", sub-title "Lunatic or Insane Paupers", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:*

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(c) **It** is the intent of Sections 4, 5, and 6 that a husband may be liable for the support of a wife while she is an inmate of any such institution; a wife, for a husband; a father or mother, or both, for a son or daughter; and a son or daughter, or both, for a father or mother. ~~The liability under Sections 4, 5, or 6 herein of a husband for the support of a wife while she is an inmate of any such institution; a wife, for a husband; a father, or mother, or both, for a son or daughter; and a son or daughter, or both, for a father or mother, shall be determined by the Department under rules and regulations made pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act, Sections 244 to 256, inclusive, of Article 41 of this Code, as amended from time to time. The rules and regulations shall provide for a determination of what shall constitute abandonment of any of the persons mentioned above by any other of the persons mentioned above. No liability under Sections 4, 5 or 6 herein shall be placed upon any person mentioned above for the support of any other of the persons mentioned above when the person upon whom it is sought to place liability has been abandoned by the person for whom support is sought.~~ ; HOWEVER, NO LIABILITY UNDER SECTIONS 4, 5, OR 6 HEREIN SHALL BE PLACED UPON ANY SON OR DAUGHTER FOR THE SUPPORT OF A FATHER OR MOTHER BY WHOM THE SON OR DAUGHTER HAS BEEN ABANDONED OR UPON ANY HUSBAND OR WIFE FOR THE SUPPORT OF A SPOUSE BY WHOM THE HUSBAND OR WIFE HAS BEEN ABANDONED. THE DE-

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.