in the proceeding under Sections 132 through 164A, inclusive, of this article, sub-title "Rehabilitation and Liquidation".

- (h) The commissioner may, in his discretion, designate or appoint a duly authorized representative or representatives to appear and defend before any court or other body or official having jurisdiction any or all actions or proceedings against principals or assureds on insurance policies as defined is subsection (a) (5) of this section, issued to them where the insurer has become insolvent or unable to meet its insurance obligations. The commissioner shall have, as of the date of insolvency of such insurer or as of the date of its inability to meet its insurance obligations, only the rights which such insurer would have had if it had not become insolvent or unable to meet its insurance obligations. For the purposes of this section the commissioner shall have power to employ such counsel, clerks and assistants as he may deem necessary.
- (i) The expense of administering the fund shall be paid out of the fund. The commissioner shall serve as administrator of the fund without additional compensation, but may be allowed and paid from the fund expenses incurred in the performance of his duties in connection with said fund. The compensation of those persons employed by the commissioner shall be deemed administration expense payable from the fund. The commissioner shall include in his annual report to the General Assembly a statement of the expense of administering the fund for the preceding year.
- SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three fifths of all the members elected to each of the two houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage SHALL TAKE EFFECT JUNE 1. 1965.

Approved May 4, 1965.

CHAPTER 913

(House Bill 500)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 18 of Article 57 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume), title "Limitations of Actions," providing that no claim or action can be maintained against CHARLES, Harford, County KENT, MONTGOMERY, PRINCE GEORGE'S, QUEEN ANNE'S, WASHINGTON, WICOMICO AND WORCESTER COUNTIES for unliquidated damages unless written notice be given within six months from the date of injury.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 18 of Article 57 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume), title "Limitations of Actions," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, and to read as follows: