

January 1 or on or before thirty days after the bill for the taxes has been mailed or made available, whichever is the later date; but such penalty must have been fixed prior to October 1 by enactment of the governing body concerned.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1968.

Approved May 7, 1968.

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CHAPTER 707

(House Bill 665)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 96(a) (6) of Article 75 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume), title "Pleadings, Practice and Process at Law," subtitle "Bases of Personal Jurisdiction Over Persons Outside This State," providing that the courts may exercise personal jurisdiction over a non-resident surety on a cause of action arising from business in this State.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 96(a) (6) of Article 75 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume), title "Pleadings, Practice and Process at Law," subtitle "Bases of Personal Jurisdiction Over Persons Outside This State," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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(a) (6) contracting to insure *or act as surety for, or on*, any person, property, or risk, *contract, obligation, or agreement* located, ~~or executed~~ OR TO BE PERFORMED within this State at the time of contracting, UNLESS THE PARTIES OTHERWISE PROVIDE IN WRITING.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1968.

Approved May 7, 1968.

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CHAPTER 708

(House Bill 681)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 566(a) of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume), title "Health," subtitle "Hospitals and Related Institutions," amending the laws concerning the functions of the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene as the agency to represent the State with respect to certain portions of the Public