

persons displaced as a result of land acquisition by the State and its political subdivisions or agencies or public or private organizations acquiring land for public purposes. It is the legislative intention that persons who are displaced as a result of land acquisition in such cases shall not suffer disproportionate injuries as a result of programs designated for the benefit of the public as a whole.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Sections 6A and 6B of Article 33A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Edition and 1971 Replacement Volume), title "Eminent Domain" be and they are hereby repealed, and that new Sections 6A through 6I 6H be and they are hereby enacted in lieu thereof, to stand in the place of the sections so repealed, and to be under the new subtitle "Relocation Assistance Policies and Payments," said new sections to follow immediately after Section 6 thereof and to read as follows:*

**RELOCATION ASSISTANCE POLICIES AND PAYMENTS**

**6A. Definitions.**

(a) *The term "condemning authority" shall mean the State, a political subdivision or any agency thereof, or any board or commission having the right to acquire land for public purposes by eminent domain proceedings, and any public or private utility company, railroad or other organization, body or agency having the right to acquire land for a public purpose through the use of eminent domain. THIS TERM SHALL NOT INCLUDE ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OTHER THAN BALTIMORE CITY OR ANY AGENCY THEREOF, OR ANY BOARD OR COMMISSION WHEN ACQUIRING PROPERTY FOR A PUBLIC PURPOSE AND SUCH PURPOSE IS NOT WHOLLY OR PARTIALLY FINANCED BY FEDERAL FUNDS.*

(b) *The term "Federal financial assistance" means a grant, loan or contribution provided by the United States to the State of Maryland or any of its political subdivisions or agencies.*

(c) *The term "person" means any individual, partnership, corporation or association.*

(d) *The term "displaced person" means any person who, on or after the effective date of this Act moves from real property, or moves his personal property from real property, as a result of the acquisition of such property in whole or in part, or as the result of a written order of the acquiring agency to vacate real property for a public works program or project undertaken by the Condemning Authority.*

~~(d)~~ (E) *The term "business" means any lawful activity, excepting a farm operation, conducted primarily—*

(A) *for the purchase, sale, lease and rental of personal and real property, and for the manufacture, processing, or marketing of products, commodities, or any other personal ~~property~~ PROPERTY;*

(B) *for the sale of services to the public; or*

(C) *by a nonprofit organization.*

(f) *The term "farm operation" means any activity conducted solely or primarily for the production of one or more agricultural*