

## CHAPTER 641

(House Bill 804)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 325C of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1971 Supplement), title "Health," subtitle "Plumbing," to provide that the Board of Commissioners of Practical Plumbing shall enforce the plumbing regulations promulgated by the Secretary of Licensing and Regulations and to provide that the Board have the power to amend said regulations with the approval of the Secretary.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 325C of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1971 Supplement), title "Health," subtitle "Plumbing," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows :

## 325C.

The Secretary of The Department of Licensing and Regulation shall on or before January 1, 1972, promulgate up-to-date plumbing regulations based on the principles of environmental sanitation and safety through properly designed, acceptably installed, and adequately maintained plumbing systems. The political subdivisions may enact and enforce plumbing regulations which meet or exceed the minimum standards promulgated by the Secretary and if the subdivisions do not enact and enforce these regulations the [State Department of Licensing and Regulation] *State Board of Commissioners of Practical Plumbing* shall enforce the State regulations. *Said Board shall have the power to amend with the approval of the Secretary said regulations from time to time as the need arises.*

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 members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved May 26, 1972.

## CHAPTER 642

(House Bill 816)

AN ACT to add new Section 288(c) to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume), title "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "Health—Controlled Dangerous Substances," to follow immediately after Section 288(b) thereof amending the criminal laws by providing a penalty for misconduct by practitioners.