- (B) ALTERNATIVE AND EQUIVALENT FIRE AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS SHALL BE PERMITTED IN ACUTE CARE HOSPITALS IN ACCORDANCE WITH CURRENT NATIONALLY RECCGNIZED CODES AND STANDARDS PROMULGATED BY THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITY HAVING JURISDICTION.
- (C) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE DC NOT APPLY TO WASHINGTON COUNTY.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1976.

Approved May 17, 1976.

CHAPTER 595

(Senate Bill 632)

AN ACT concerning

Mandatory Capital Punishment

FOR the purpose of altering the enumeration of crimes for which a convicted person shall be sentenced to death; and giving this Act a prospective effect.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 — Crimes and Punishments Section 413(b) Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 413(b) of Article 27 — Crimes and Punishments, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

413.

- (b) Every person who is convicted of murder in the first degree shall be sentenced to death if:
- (1) He is found by the trier of fact to have been the person who actually committed an act which proximately caused the victim's death; and