

act of the General Assembly for public purpose and not for the profit of any private person or corporation. The Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin, a cooperative library corporation, the Upper Potomac River Commission, the Tri-County Council for Western Maryland, Inc., THE ALLEGANY COUNTY TRANSIT AUTHORITY and the Health Planning Council of Appalachia shall each be considered to be a municipal corporation for the purpose of participation in the Employees' Retirement System. If a municipal corporation ceases to meet the definition of "municipal corporation" by virtue of any public general or public local law, any employee thereof who has been a member of the retirement system may continue membership in the system at the employee's election if the employer's contribution, as required herein, continues to be made pursuant to this article.

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

Approved May 4, 1976.

CHAPTER 255

(Senate Bill 113)

AN ACT concerning

Consumer Protection Division - Conciliation

FOR the purpose of making the exercise of the power of the Consumer Protection Division to conciliate certain violations discretionary rather than mandatory.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Commercial Law
Section 13-402(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1975 Volume and 1975 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 13-402(a) of Article - Commercial Law, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1975 Volume and 1975 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article - Commercial Law

13-402.

(a) Division [to] [[MAY]] to seek conciliation =