SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1979.

Approved May 29, 1979.

CHAPTER 490

(Senate Bill 834)

AN ACT concerning

Priorities in Insolvency

FOR the purpose of altering the priority of creditors for property of an insolvent; correcting a cross-reference; and adding a new creditor to priority system.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article — Commercial Law Section 15-102(b) Annotated Code of Maryland (1975 Volume and 1978 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Amnotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article - Commercial Law

15-102.

- (b) The property of an insolvent who makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors or who has his property taken by a receiver under a decree of a court in an insolvency proceeding shall be applied to the following, in the order stated:
- (1) Costs and expenses of the administration of the trust or insolvency proceeding which the court approves;
- (2) Wages of an employee and health, welfare, and pension contributions contracted for in place of wages, earned not more than three months before the assignment or institution of the insolvency proceeding;
- (3) Lien claims of the State, a county, municipal corporation, or other political subdivision of the State perfected or recorded before the assignment or institution of the insolvency proceeding, and claims of persons having judicial liens on property of the insolvent recorded more than four months before the assignment or institution of the insolvency proceeding;