

BY adding to

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3-2A-06(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1974 Volume and 1978 Supplement)

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 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

3-2A-06.

(a) A party may reject an award for any reason. A notice of rejection must be filed with the DIRECTOR AND THE arbitration panel and served on the other parties or their counsel within 90 days after the award is served upon the rejecting party, or, if a timely application for modification or correction has been filed within 30 days after a disposition of the application by the panel.

(b) At or before the time specified in subsection (a) for filing and serving a notice of rejection, the party rejecting the award shall file an action in court to nullify the award AND SHALL FILE A COPY OF THE ACTION WITH THE DIRECTOR. Failure to file this action timely IN COURT shall constitute a withdrawal of the notice of rejection. Subject to the provisions of subsection (c), the procedures applicable to the action including the form and necessary allegations in the initial pleading shall be governed by the Maryland Rules. If any party to the proceeding elects to have the case tried by a jury in accordance with the Maryland Rules, it shall be tried by a jury. Otherwise, the case shall be tried by a judge.

(G) ~~THE PARTY THAT--REJECTED--THE--ARBITRATION--AWARD~~
CLERK OF THE COURT SHALL FILE A COPY OF THE VERDICT WITH
THE DIRECTOR.

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

Approved May 1, 1979.

CHAPTER 157

(House Bill 405)

AN ACT concerning