CHAPTER 302

(Senate Bill 287)

AN ACT concerning

District Court - Jurisdict on

FOR the purpose of expanding the exclusive original civil jurisdiction of the district court to include a proceeding for adjudication of a civil penalty for violation of any--statute--er--any-rule-er-regulation certain orders, rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to statutory authority.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings Section 4-401(10) Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1979 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 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows: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

4-401.

Except as provided in § 4-402, and subject to the venue provisions of Title 6, the District Court has exclusive original civil jurisdiction in:

(10) A proceeding for adjudication of a civil penalty for -{-any-}- violation -{-under Section 8-1411.1 of the Natural Resources Article of the Code-}- OF-ANY--STATUTE OR UNDER SECTION 15B (C-1) OF ARTICLE 41 OF THE CODE or any rule or regulation -{-issued pursuant to that--section}-THOSE SECTIONS.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1980.

Approved May 6, 1980.

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