

(C) ANY PERSON WHO FAILS TO PROMPTLY PRODUCE THE RECORDS REQUIRED BY THE PROCESS SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR. UPON CONVICTION, THE PERSON SHALL BE FINED NOT MORE THAN \$1,000 IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.

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

Approved May 20, 1980.

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CHAPTER 605

(House Bill 563)

AN ACT concerning

Contractors - Liability for Improvements to Real Property

FOR the purpose of providing that a cause of action for damages does not accrue against a contractor when injury to a person or property results from the condition of an improvement to real property, if the injury occurs a certain number of years after the completion of the improvement.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
Section 5-108(b)  
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 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows: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

5-108.

(b) A cause of action for damages does not accrue and a person may not seek contribution or indemnity from any architect [or], professional engineer, OR CONTRACTOR for damages incurred when wrongful death, personal injury, or injury to real or personal property, resulting from the defective and unsafe condition of an improvement to real property, occurs more than 10 years after the date the entire improvement first became available for its intended use.