

Chapter 714 of the Acts of 1977

~~-f~~SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the provisions of this Act shall automatically terminate on ~~July 17, 1980~~ June 1, 1982.~~-f~~

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

Approved April 8, 1980.

CHAPTER 47

(Senate Bill 252)

AN ACT concerning

Courts - Consolidation of Cases

FOR the purpose of permitting the removal of certain cases from the District Court to the circuit court and the consolidation of these cases with certain cases in the circuit court.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 6-104
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 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows: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

6-104.

(A) If a court finds that in the interest of substantial justice an action should be heard in another forum, the court may stay or dismiss the action in whole or in part on any conditions it considers just.

(B) (1) WHEN ACTIONS INVOLVING AT LEAST ONE OF THE SAME PARTIES, WITH THE SAME SUBJECT MATTER, ISSUES, AND DEFENSES ARISING OUT OF THE SAME CIRCUMSTANCES, ARE INSTITUTED IN THE DISTRICT COURT AND A CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE, THE PARTY WHO FILED THE ACTION IN THE DISTRICT COURT MAY FILE A MOTION IN THAT COURT TO REMOVE THE ACTION TO THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CONSOLIDATION WITH THE ACTION PENDING IN CIRCUIT COURT.