Approved May 20, 1982.

CHAPTER 251

(Senate Bill 135)

AN ACT concerning

Mechanics' Liens - Owner's Liability to Subcontractor - Releases

FOR the purpose of limiting the liability of an owner to a subcontractor for work performed and materials rendered by the subcontractor on a single family dwelling erected on the owner's land for his own residence, to the extent that the owner has rendered payment to the contractor; and clarifying language; requiring contractors at time of settlement or payment in full to give to owners releases of lien signed by each material supplier and subcontractor; providing that the release of lien frees an owner of liability to a subcontractor; and relating generally to the lien liability of an owner to a subcontractor doing work or furnishing materials in connection with certain buildings.

BY adding to

Article - Real Property
Section 9-114
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1981 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Real Property Section 9-104(a) and (f) Annotated Code of Maryland (1974-Volume-and-1981-Supplement) (1981 Replacement Volume)

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

Article - Real Property

9-104.

{a)--A--subcontractor is--not-entitled-to-a-lien-under this-subtitle-unless{7-within}-