CHAPTER 711

(House Bill 1589)

AN ACT concerning

Commercial Banks - Qualifications of Directors

FOR the purpose of clarifying the method for determining the amount of capital stock which a bank director must own in order to qualify as a director of that bank.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Financial Institutions Section 3-403(a) Annotated Code of Maryland (1980 Volume and 1983 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Financial Institutions

3-403.

- (a) (1) After the initial issuance of capital stock by a commercial bank, each of its directors shall own in good faith and of record unencumbered shares of the capital stock of:
 - (i) The commercial bank; or
- (ii) A corporation that owns more than 80 percent of the capital stock of the commercial bank.
- (2) The unencumbered capital stock owned by the director shall be in the amount of at least:
 - (i) \$500; or
- (ii) \$250, if the commercial bank is a State bank that has \$50,000 or less in capital stock.
- (3) To determine the amount of capital stock owned by a director:
- (i) [Only the par or stated value of common and preferred stock may be considered] BASED ON THE VALUE OF THE STOCK ON THE DATE OF PURCHASE OR ON THE DATE THE DIRECTOR TOOK OFFICE, WHICHEVER IS GREATER, ANY 1 OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING MAY BE CONSIDERED: