- (2) THE RIGHTS AVAILABLE TO A CONSUMER UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL INURE TO A SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF A NEW MOTOR VEHICLE FOR THE DURATION OF THE APPLICABLE WARRANTIES.
- ( $\theta$ ) (K) ANY ACTION BROUGHT UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE COMMENCED WITHIN 3 YEARS OF THE DATE OF ORIGINAL DELIVERY OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE TO THE CONSUMER.
- (K) (L) (1) A COURT MAY AWARD REASONABLE ATTORNEY'S FEES TO A PREVAILING PLAINTIFF UNDER THIS SECTION.
- (b) (2) IF IT APPEARS TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE COURT THAT AN ACTION IS BROUGHT IN BAD FAITH OR IS OF A FRIVOLOUS NATURE, THE COURT MAY ORDER THE OFFENDING PARTY TO PAY TO THE OTHER PARTY REASONABLE ATTORNEY'S FEES.
- (M) THIS SUBTITLE DOES NOT APPLY TO A FLEET PURCHASE OF 5 OR MORE VEHICLES.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have any effect upon or application to any new motor vehicle purchased or delivered prior to the effective date of this Act.
- SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1984.

Approved May 29, 1984.

## CHAPTER 751

(Senate Bill 869)

AN ACT concerning

Workmen's Compensation - Coverage of Employees

FOR the purpose of providing coverage for seasonal and migratory farm laborers under the workmen's compensation law under certain circumstances; and defining seasonal and migratory farm laborer for purposes of this Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 101 - Workmen's Compensation Section 21(b)(8) Annotated Code of Maryland (1979 Replacement Volume and 1983 Supplement)