Sincerely, Harry Hughes Governor

## Senate Bill No. 711

AN ACT concerning

District Court - Jurisdiction - Attachment Before Judgment

FOR the purpose of altering the jurisdictional limit on attachment before judgment to make it comparable to other jurisdictional limits for the District Court; correcting an incorrect reference; and generally relating to attachment before judgment.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings Section 3-302 Annotated Code of Maryland (1980 Replacement Volume and 1983 Supplement)

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Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings Section 4-401(3) Annotated Code of Maryland (1980 Replacement Volume and 1983 Supplement)

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

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

3-302.

A court of law including the District Court, within the limits of its jurisdiction, may issue an attachment at the commencement of the action or while it is pending against any property or credits, whether matured or unmatured, belonging to the debtor upon the application of the plaintiff in the action.

4-401.

Except as provided in § 4-402 of this subtitle, and subject to the venue provisions of Title 6 of this article, the District Court has exclusive original civil jurisdiction in: