CHAPTER 205

(House Bill 569)

AN ACT concerning

District Court - Civil Jurisdiction

FOR the purpose of altering the civil jurisdiction of the District Court in a matter of attachment on original process.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

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

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:

(3) A [case] MATTER of attachment [on original process] BEFORE JUDGMENT, if the sum claimed does not exceed [\$5,000] \$10,000, exclusive of attorney's fees if attorney's fees are recoverable by law or contract;

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1984.

Approved May 8, 1984.

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