

dismissal of certain proceedings before the Home Improvement Commission under certain circumstances; providing for certain reimbursement, subrogation, and judicial enforcement rights with the Home Improvement Commission and the Central Collection Unit; placing a 3-year statute of limitation on claims against the guaranty fund; providing for the suspension of a home improvement contractor's license under certain circumstances; altering certain grounds for refusal to grant a license and for suspension and revocation of licenses; expanding the membership of the Home Improvement Commission; altering certain quorum and voting requirements; authorizing the designation of hearing boards subject to certain procedures and limitations; and generally relating to administration of the Home Improvement Law.

BY adding to

Article 56 - Licenses

Section 249(l), (m), and (n), 257A, 257B, 257C, 257D, 257E, 257F, 257G, and 260(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1983 Replacement Volume and 1984 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 56 - Licenses

Section 250, 253(e), 257(c), and 258

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

Article 56 - Licenses

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(L) "ACTUAL LOSS" MEANS AMOUNTS PAID OR PAYABLE FOR THE COST OF RESTORATION, REPAIR, REPLACEMENT, OR COMPLETION OF WORK PERFORMED IN A POOR OR UNWORKMANLIKE MANNER OR WHICH IS OTHERWISE INADEQUATE OR INCOMPLETE.

(M) "CLAIMANT" MEANS AN OWNER WHO:

(1) RESIDES IN A RESIDENCE OR DWELLING PLACE WITH RESPECT TO WHICH A CLAIM IS MADE; OR

(2) OWNS NOT MORE THAN 3 RESIDENCES OR DWELLING PLACES; AND

(3) MAKES A CLAIM AGAINST THE FUND.

(N) "FUND" MEANS THE HOME IMPROVEMENT GUARANTY FUND.