

Article - Commercial Law

13-408.

(A) In addition to any action by the Division or Attorney General authorized by this title and any other action otherwise authorized by law, any person may--

{1} ~~bring~~ BRING an action to recover for injury or loss sustained ~~by him~~ as the result of a practice prohibited by this title ~~or~~.

~~{2} REQUEST THE DIVISION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE PERSON WHO HAS ENGAGED OR IS ENGAGING IN A VIOLATION OF THIS TITLE TO SUBMIT THE DISPUTE TO ARBITRATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MARYLAND UNIFORM ARBITRATION ACT UNDER § 13-404 OF THIS TITLE.~~

(B) ANY PERSON WHO BRINGS AN ACTION TO RECOVER FOR INJURY OR LOSS UNDER THIS SECTION AND WHO IS AWARDED DAMAGES MAY ALSO SEEK, AND THE COURT MAY AWARD, REASONABLE ATTORNEY'S FEES.

(C) IF IT APPEARS TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE COURT, AT ANY TIME, 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.

~~{B} ATTORNEY'S FEES MAY NOT BE AWARDED TO ANY PERSON IN AN ARBITRATION PROCEEDING CONDUCTED BY THE CONSUMER PROTECTION DIVISION UNDER § 13-404 OF THIS SUBTITLE.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1986.

Approved May 13, 1986.

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CHAPTER 345

(Senate Bill 554)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City - Obsolete Provisions in Public Local Laws

FOR the purpose of correcting in the Public Local Laws of Baltimore City outdated references to the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City, and those courts which constituted the Supreme Bench; substituting references to the Circuit Court for Baltimore City; correcting outdated references to the Municipal Court of Baltimore, Justices of the Peace, and