

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

Approved May 13, 1986.

CHAPTER 568

(House Bill 1400)

AN ACT concerning

Handicapped Persons' Rights - Violation - Civil Action

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain civil action for certain damages-or injunctive relief against a person who interferes with certain rights of certain handicapped persons; and generally relating to a civil action for interfering with the rights of certain handicapped persons protected under the White Cane Law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 30 - Deaf, Mute or Blind
Section 33
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1983 Replacement Volume and 1985 Supplement)

Preamble

WHEREAS, It is the policy of this State to encourage and enable the blind or the visually handicapped and the deaf or hearing impaired to participate fully in the social and economic life of the State and to engage in gainful employment; and

WHEREAS, Despite this policy, discrimination continues to occur; now, therefore,

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

Article 30 - Deaf, Mute or Blind

33.

(a) It is the policy of this State to encourage and enable the blind or the visually handicapped and the deaf or hearing impaired to participate fully in the social and economic life of the State and to engage in remunerative employment.

(b) It is the policy of this State that the blind or visually handicapped and the deaf or hearing impaired shall be