Subject to the hearing provisions of § 14-505 of this subtitle, the Commission, on the affirmative vote of a majority of its full authorized membership, may reprimand any licensee, place any licensee on probation, or suspend or revoke a license if the licensee:

(22) Is disciplined by a licensing or disciplinary authority or convicted or disciplined by a court of any state or country OR DISCIPLINED BY ANY BRANCH OF THE UNITED STATES UNIFORMED SERVICES OR THE VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION for an act that would be grounds for disciplinary action under this section;

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

Approved April 29, 1986.

CHAPTER 259

(House Bill 1629)

AN ACT concerning

Health - Liabilities and Warranties for Blood

FOR the purpose of expanding the scope of the law that limits the liability of certain persons performing designated services with certain blood or blood products.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General Section 18-402 Annotated Code of Maryland (1982 Volume and 1985 Supplement)

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

Article - Health - General

18-402.

A <u>LEGALLY AUTHORIZED</u> person who obtains, processes, stores, distributes, or uses whole blood or any substance derived from blood for injection or transfusion into an individual for any purpose [may not be held liable for the virus of serum hepatitis under] IS PERFORMING A SERVICE AND IS NOT SUBJECT TO:

(1) Strict liability in tort;