SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1988. It shall remain effective for a period of two years and, at the end of June 30, 1990, and with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved May 27, 1988.

CHAPTER 663

(House Bill 608)

AN ACT concerning

Civil Liability - Farmers - Gleaning of Fields

FOR the purpose of limiting the personal liability of a farmer for damages in civil action brought against the farmer by a charitable organization that gleans the farmers' fields; establishing certain exceptions; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the limitation of farmer's liability to persons who glean on the property of a farmer.

BY adding to

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings Section 5-308.1 Annotated Code of Maryland (1984 Replacement Volume and 1987 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

5-308.1.

- (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
- (2) "AGENT OF A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION" MEANS A PERSON WHO:
- (I) IS OR WAS A DIRECTOR, OFFICER, OR EMPLOYEE OF A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION; OR
- (II) ON A VOLUNTEER BASIS, IS OR WAS PROVIDING SERVICES OR PERFORMING DUTIES ON BEHALF OF A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION.