

Article 101 - Workmen's Compensation

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(d) In case death ensues from the injury within [five] 7 years, reasonable funeral expenses shall be allowed, not to exceed the sum of \$2,500. Any bill for funeral expenses contracted for an amount in excess of \$2,500 shall be null and void and uncollectible out of the compensation allowed or out of the personal assets of the person or persons to whom such compensation is payable, unless and until the bill is approved by the Commission; provided, however, that if there are no dependents all expenses of last sickness and burial shall be paid by the employer or insurance company, or out of the State Accident Fund, as the case may be.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1989.

Approved May 25, 1989.

CHAPTER 648

(House Bill 314)

AN ACT concerning

Lending Practices - Discrimination

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain creditors from discriminating against any applicant for credit based on race, color, religion, national origin, or age, or physical or mental handicap, requiring a creditor to provide an applicant for credit notice that describes prohibited discriminatory practices, the procedure for filing a complaint against a creditor, a summary of certain civil penalties that apply if a creditor engages in discriminatory practices, and a statement that outlines certain other protections an applicant may have; making any violation of the Federal Equal Credit Opportunity Act a violation of the Maryland Equal Credit Opportunity Act; requiring the Bank Commissioner and the Commissioner of Consumer Credit to investigate complaints of discrimination; and generally relating to discrimination in lending practices.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Commercial Law