amount less than that required for the full implementation of those provisions, then those provisions are to be carried out on a prorated basis consistent with their original intent and to the extent possible within the amount appropriated.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October July 1, 1994.

Approved May 26, 1994.

CHAPTER 607

(House Bill 862)

AN ACT concerning

Artisan's Lien - Notice of Sale

FOR the purpose of clarifying the minimum length of time that a customer must have notice of the sale or disposal of certain goods belonging to the customer by an artisan; altering a certain provision of law to require an artisan to provide notice of a sale or disposal of certain goods to the owner before the sale or disposal of the goods; authorizing a certain method of providing notice to a customer that goods belonging to the customer may be sold on or after a certain date; and generally relating to an artisan's lien.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Commercial Law

Section 16-302

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

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

Article - Commercial Law

16-302.

- (a) Any artisan who, with the consent of the owner, has possession of goods for repair, mending, improving, dry cleaning, laundering, or other work WHICH INCLUDES STORAGE OF GOODS IN THE CASE OF A DRY CLEANER OR LAUNDERER, has a lien on the goods for the costs of the work done.
- (b) If the costs which give rise to the lien are due and unpaid 90 days after the work is completed or in the case of a dry cleaner or launderer goods are due to be retrieved from storage, the artisan may sell the goods to which the lien attaches at public or private sale. The artisan, launderer, or dry cleaner shall post a notice in a conspicuous place on the premises to the effect that clothing must be retrieved in 90 days or it will be subject to sale, after notice.