

Approved April 30, 1996.

**CHAPTER 238**

**(House Bill 513)**

AN ACT concerning

**Workers' Compensation – Independent Contractors Receiving Compensation From  
Farmers for Service – Not Covered Employees**

FOR the purpose of providing that an individual who receives compensation from a farmer for a service is not a covered employee if certain conditions are met; and generally relating to the coverage of individuals who receive compensation from a farmer for a service.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 9-210

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1991 Volume and 1995 Supplement)

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

**Article – Labor and Employment**

9-210.

(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

(2) "Farmer" includes a dairy farmer.

(3) (i) "Migrant farm worker" means an individual who is engaged in seasonal or other temporary agricultural employment and who is:

1. absent overnight from the permanent residence of the individual; or

2. transported to and from the place of employment of the individual by a day-haul operation.

(ii) "Migrant farm worker" does not include an individual who performs a service included in subsection (b) of this section if the individual:

1. does not operate equipment or machinery; and

2. is employed:

A. within 25 miles of the permanent residence of the individual;

and