SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1997.

Approved April 8, 1997.

CHAPTER 61

(House Bill 526)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Plumbing Act - State Board of Plumbing - Civil Penalties

FOR the purpose of providing certain civil penalties, imposed by the State Board of Plumbing, authorizing the State Board of Plumbing to impose certain civil penalties for violations of certain provisions of the Maryland Plumbing Act; requiring the Board to consider certain factors in determining the appropriate amount of the civil penalty; and generally relating to civil penalties imposed by the Board against certain violators of the Maryland Plumbing Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Business Occupations and Professions

Section 12-607

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1995 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

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

Article - Business Occupations and Professions

12-607.

- (a) (1) In this subsection, "officer" includes a superintendent, manager, and agent of a corporation regardless of whether it engages in the business of providing plumbing services.
- (2) A person, including an officer, who violates any provision of the following sections of this subtitle is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$50 for each day or part of each day that the violation continues:
 - (i) § 12-602;
 - (ii) § 12-603; and
 - (iii) § 12-604.
- (b) A person who violates any provision of the following sections of this subtitle is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$100 or imprisonment not exceeding 6 months or both for each day or part of each day that the violation continues: