

(E) (1) ON RECEIPT OF THE RETURN OF SERVICE, THE DISTRICT COURT SHALL SCHEDULE THE CASE FOR TRIAL AND NOTIFY THE PERSON NAMED IN THE CITATION OF THE TRIAL DATE.

(2) THE TRIAL IN THE DISTRICT COURT SHALL BE PROSECUTED IN THE SAME MANNER AND TO THE SAME EXTENT AS SET FORTH FOR MUNICIPAL INFRACTIONS UNDER ARTICLE 23A, § 3(B)(8) THROUGH (15) OF THE CODE.

(3) ALL LATE FEES COLLECTED BY THE DISTRICT COURT SHALL BE REMITTED TO THE STATE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF ELECTION LAWS.

(4) AN ADJUDICATION OF A VIOLATION UNDER THIS SUBSECTION:

(I) IS NOT A CRIMINAL CONVICTION; AND

(II) DOES NOT IMPOSE ANY OF THE CIVIL DISABILITIES ORDINARILY IMPOSED BY A CRIMINAL CONVICTION.

(F) IF A PERSON IS FOUND TO HAVE COMMITTED THE VIOLATION SET FORTH IN THE CITATION, THE PERSON SHALL BE LIABLE FOR THE COSTS OF THE PROCEEDINGS IN THE DISTRICT COURT.

(G) (1) IF A PERSON WHO HAS BEEN SERVED WITH A CITATION FAILS TO APPEAR FOR TRIAL, THE COURT, AT THE REQUEST OF THE PROSECUTOR, MAY EITHER DISMISS THE CITATION OR GRANT A CIVIL JUDGMENT AGAINST THE PERSON NAMED IN THE CITATION IN FAVOR OF THE STATE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF ELECTION LAWS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MARYLAND RULES OF PROCEDURE.

(2) THE AMOUNT OF A JUDGMENT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY NOT EXCEED THE TOTAL OF THE MAXIMUM FINE SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION AND ANY LATE FEES OWED TO THE STATE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF ELECTION LAWS.

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

Approved May 22, 1997.

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**CHAPTER 566**

**(Senate Bill 217)**

AN ACT concerning

**Heating, Ventilation, Air-Conditioning, and Refrigeration Services – Local Licensure of  
Individuals Licensed by the State Board**

FOR the purpose of requiring a political subdivision of the State that requires a local license to provide heating, ventilation, air-conditioning, or refrigeration services to issue a local license to any individual licensed by the State Board of Heating, Ventilation, Air-Conditioning, and Refrigeration Services on receipt from the