

minimum caseload to attract potential pilot program contractor bids under this Act, the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, in consultation with the State Court Administrator, may add one additional county to the pilot program. The Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services and the State Court Administrator shall consult with the Administrative Judge and the Chief Clerk of the proposed county or of Baltimore City prior to adding the county or Baltimore City to the pilot program.

SECTION 3-5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1997. It shall remain effective for a period of 4 years and, at the end of June 30, 2001, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved May 22, 1997.

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## CHAPTER 641

### (House Bill 63)

AN ACT concerning

#### **Workers' Compensation - Jurisdiction - Appeal of Penalties**

FOR the purpose of establishing that the Workers' Compensation Commission retains jurisdiction over certain matters in a case under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the jurisdiction of the Workers' Compensation Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Labor and Employment

Section 9-742

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1991 Volume and 1996 Supplement)

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

#### **Article - Labor and Employment**

9-742.

(a) The Commission retains jurisdiction pending an appeal to consider a request for additional medical treatment and attention.

(b) If the Commission finds that a covered employee needs additional medical attention pending an appeal, the Commission may pass a supplemental order requiring the employer to provide additional medical treatment and attention.

(c) A supplemental order passed by the Commission under this section is subject to review on the pending appeal.