suit and liability for damages arising out of certain date data problems if the State or local government has taken certain actions; providing that officials and employees of the State or a local government are immune from suit and liability for damages arising out of certain date data problems; providing that the immunities under this Act are in addition to any immunities or limits on liability otherwise available provided by law to the State or a local government or an official or employee of the State or a local government; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; making this Act an emergency measure; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to State and local government immunity.

BY adding to

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 5-527

Annotated Code of Maryland

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

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

5-527.

- (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
- (2) "COMPLIANCE PLAN" MEANS A WRITTEN PLAN TO INVENTORY, ASSESS, <u>TEST</u>, <u>AND SCHEDULE REPAIRS AND REMEDIATION OF AND PROVIDE A CONTINGENCY PLAN OF ACTION RELATING TO, Y2K DATE DATA PROBLEMS IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS AND PRODUCTS.</u>
- (3) "CRITICAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM OR PRODUCT"
 MEANS AN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM OR PRODUCT THE FAILURE OF
 WHICH MAY RESULT IN AN IMMINENT AND SUBSTANTIAL THREAT TO PUBLIC
 HEALTH OR SAFETY.
- $\stackrel{ ext{(2)}}{ ext{(2)}}$ "DATE DATA" MEANS DATA THAT CONTAIN DATES OR TIMES OR BOTH.
- (4) (5) "Y2K DATE DATA PROBLEM" MEANS THE FAILURE, MALFUNCTION, OR INADEQUACY OF AN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM OR, PRODUCT, OR PROCESS TO RECOGNIZE, PROCESS, DISTINGUISH, INTERPRET, OR ACCEPT CORRECTLY DATE DATA RELATING TO THE YEAR 2000, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING SPECIFIC DATES:
 - (I) AUGUST 22, 1999;
 - (II) SEPTEMBER 9, 1999;
 - (III) DECEMBER 31, 1999;