

A. the customer chooses not to be served; or

B. the customer fails to comply with the terms of the service agreement in place on September 30, 1999;

(2) on or before December 1, 1999, a steam heating company that ceases to be a regulated public service company under this Act shall notify its customers of the provisions and effect of this Act, and of the continuing effect of subsection (1) of this section; and

(3) a customer who is subjected to a violation of subsection (1) of this section may file a written complaint with the Office of the Attorney General, Division of Consumer Protection. After the filing of a complaint, the Division shall investigate the allegations to ascertain the issues and facts, and proceed in accordance with §§ 13-401 through 13-409 of the Commercial Law Article. For the purpose of enforcing subsection (1) of this section, a violation of subsection (1) of this section shall be considered a violation under Title 13 of the Commercial Law Article.

SECTION 2. 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1999.

Approved May 27, 1999.

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**CHAPTER 606**

**(House Bill 128)**

AN ACT concerning

**Higher Education - Educational Excellence Award Program**

FOR the purpose of allowing ~~a certain percentage of~~ certain funds appropriated for the Educational Excellence Award Program to be carried forward to the subsequent fiscal year for awarding scholarships to students; prohibiting the use of certain funds for administrative expenses; and generally relating to the Educational Excellence Award Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Education

Section 18-309

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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