

persons; requiring that an evaluation of the Commission and the statutes and regulations that relate to the Commission be performed on or before a certain date; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to submit a certain report by a certain date; and generally relating to the Maryland Home Improvement Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Business Regulation

Section 8-405(e) and 8-702

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Government

Section 8-403(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - State Government

Section 8-403(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article - State Government

Section 8-403(m)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume)

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

**Article - Business Regulation**

8-405.

(e) The Commission may not award from the Fund:

(1) more than [\$10,000] \$15,000 to 1 claimant for acts or omissions of 1 contractor;

(2) more than \$100,000 to all claimants for acts or omissions of 1 contractor unless, after the Commission has paid out \$100,000 on account of acts or omissions of the contractor, the contractor reimburses \$100,000 to the Fund;

(3) an amount for attorney fees, consequential damages, court costs, interest, personal injury damages, or punitive damages; or