

Annotated Code of Maryland
(1999 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

Article - Labor and Employment

9-638.

(a) (1) A COVERED EMPLOYEE UNDER THIS SECTION INCLUDES AN INDIVIDUAL WHO:

(i) IS ENTITLED TO COMPENSATION FOR CLAIMS ARISING FROM EVENTS OCCURRING AFTER JANUARY 1, 1988; OR

(ii) 1. IS ENTITLED TO COMPENSATION FROM THE INJURED WORKERS' INSURANCE FUND FOR CLAIMS ARISING FROM EVENTS OCCURRING ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1988; AND

~~2. HAS FILED THE CLAIMS FOR COMPENSATION WITH A GOVERNMENTAL UNIT OR QUASI-PUBLIC CORPORATION THAT HAS AT LEAST ONE COVERED EMPLOYEE.~~

2. WAS NOT AN EMPLOYEE OF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION WHEN THE CLAIM WAS FILED.

(2) Compensation paid TO A COVERED EMPLOYEE under this Part V of this subtitle is subject to an annual cost of living adjustment.

(b) On or before June 30 of each year, the Department of Business and Economic Development shall determine and report to the Commission the rate of change in the Consumer Price Index in the preceding calendar year, using as the Consumer Price Index the lower of:

(1) the Consumer Price Index (all urban consumers, all item index) published by the United States Department of Labor for the Washington, D.C.-Baltimore CMSA; or

(2) the United States city average consumer price index (all urban consumers, all item index).