

issuing the writ, enforce an injunction issued by it in the action, and issue, renew, and receive returns upon the writ of replevin. The action shall be transmitted to the appropriate court only after the writ has been returned, stating that the property sought has been seized or eloined, and the time for filing a notice of intention to defend has expired.

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The District Court has exclusive jurisdiction over a small claim action, which, for purposes of this section, means a civil action for money in which the amount claimed does not exceed \$2,500 exclusive of interest, costs, and attorney's fees, if attorney's fees are recoverable by law or contract; and landlord tenant action under §§ 8-401 and 8-402 of the Real Property Article of the Code, in which the amount of rent claimed does not exceed \$2,500 exclusive of interest and costs.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the passage of this Act is contingent on the passage of Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ (S.B.\_\_\_\_\_/H.B. \_\_\_\_\_) (2lr1966/2lr0546) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1992, a Constitutional Amendment, and its ratification by the voters of the State.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to the provisions of Section 2 above, this Act shall take effect October 1, 1992.

Approved May 5, 1992.

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**CHAPTER 96**

**(Senate Bill 448)**

AN ACT concerning

**Community Colleges – Procurement – Prequalification of Bidders**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the board of trustees of each community college to provide for the prequalification of persons as prospective responsible bidders for certain procurements; and establishing certain requirements for the prequalification procedure for the awarding of procurement contracts by the boards of trustees of community colleges.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 16-408

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1989 Replacement Volume and 1991 Supplement)

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