SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1992.

Approved May 12, 1992.

## **CHAPTER 278**

(House Bill 6)

AN ACT concerning

## Continuance of Proceedings - Legislative Duties - Extraordinary Session

FOR the purpose of clarifying that the right of certain attorneys to a continuance of certain proceedings because of legislative duties applies to an extraordinary session of the General Assembly; altering a certain definition of the term "proceeding" to include any part of an action for the purposes of legislative continuances; providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to continuances of proceedings because of legislative duties.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 6-402

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:

## Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

6-402.

- (a) (1) [In this section, "proceeding" includes an arbitration proceeding] IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
  - (2) "PROCEEDING" INCLUDES:
    - (I) AN ARBITRATION PROCEEDING; AND
    - (II) ANY PART OF AN ACTION.
  - (3) "SESSION" INCLUDES AN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION.
- (b) If a member or desk officer of the General Assembly is an attorney of record in a proceeding, the proceeding shall be continued from five days before the legislative session convenes until ten days after it is adjourned.