violations of this Act to the Department; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations for the certification of inspectors by a certain date; specifying the standard required to obtain coverage by the Fund prior to a certain date; requiring the Commission to make a certain determination by a certain date; requiring the Commission to submit a certain report; providing certain contingencies; providing for the termination of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Lead Paint Prevention and Compensation Poisoning Commission.

BY adding to

Article - Environment

Section 6-801 through 6-822 6-809, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 8. Lead Paint Poisoning Prevention and Compensation Commission"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1987 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 - Environment

SUBTITLE 8. LEAD PAINT POISONING PREVENTION AND COMPENSATION COMMISSION

6-801.

- (A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
- (B) "CERTIFIED" MEANS A DWELLING UNIT OR PROPERTY THAT WAS APPROVED FOR COVERAGE BY THE FUND AT THE TIME OF INJURY.
- (C) "CLAIMANT" MEANS ANY PERSON WHO FILES A CLAIM WITH THE FUND:
- (D) (<u>B</u>) "COMMISSION" MEANS THE LEAD PAINT POISONING PREVENTION AND COMPENSATION COMMISSION.
- (E) (1) "COMMON AREAS" MEANS AREAS WITHIN A PROPERTY, BUT ARE NOT PART OF A DWELLING UNIT AND ARE ACCESSIBLE TO OCCUPANTS.
- (2) "COMMON AREAS" DO NOT INCLUDE AREAS THAT ARE GENERALLY INACCESSIBLE TO CHILDREN.
- (F) (1) "DWELLING UNIT" MEANS A ROOM OR GROUP OF ROOMS THAT FORM A SINGLE INDEPENDENT HABITABLE RENTAL UNIT FOR OCCUPATION BY 1 OR MORE PERSONS THAT HAS LIVING FACILITIES WITH PERMANENT PROVISIONS FOR LIVING, SLEEPING, EATING, COOKING, AND SANITATION.