

CHAPTER 496**(House Bill 651)**

AN ACT concerning

Occupational Safety and Health - Citations

FOR the purpose of ~~requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry or the authorized representative of the Commissioner to issue a citation within a certain period after a determination, based on an inspection, that an employer has violated certain requirements of law~~ altering, in certain circumstances, the time period within which the Commissioner of Labor and Industry is required to issue certain citations for certain violations of the law; and generally relating to the issuance of citations by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Labor and Employment

Section 5-208(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1991 Volume and 1997 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Labor and Employment

Section 5-212

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1991 Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

Article - Labor and Employment

5-208.

(a) The Commissioner or authorized representative of the Commissioner may enter a place of employment where work is performed, without delay at any reasonable time, to:

- (1) inspect the place of employment;
- (2) investigate all pertinent apparatus, conditions, devices, equipment, materials, and structures at the place of employment; and
- (3) question privately an agent, employee, or employer.

5-212.

(a) (1) ~~If~~ EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, IF after an inspection or investigation, the Commissioner or authorized representative of the Commissioner is of the opinion that an employer has violated a duty under this