

SENATE BILL 584

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By: **Senator DeGrange**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Workers' Compensation - Occupational Disease - Definition**

3 FOR the purpose of modifying the definition of occupational disease; and generally  
4 relating to workers' compensation and occupational disease.

5 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
6 Article - Labor and Employment  
7 Section 9-101(g)  
8 Annotated Code of Maryland  
9 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

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

12 **Article - Labor and Employment**

13 9-101.

14 (g) (1) "Occupational disease" means a disease contracted by a covered  
15 employee:

16 [(1)] (I) as the result of and in the course of employment; and

17 [(2)] (II) that causes the covered employee to become temporarily or  
18 permanently, partially or totally incapacitated.

19 (2) "OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE" INCLUDES AN INFECTIOUS DISEASE  
20 THAT MAY HAVE ARISEN FROM ONE OR MORE EXPOSURES OF INDETERMINATE  
21 DATES.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
23 July 1, 2002.