

# HOUSE BILL 1252

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By: **Delegates Norman, James, Jennings, Shewell, Smigiel, and Stifler**

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Assigned to: Judiciary

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Commercial Law – Attachment of Contract Payments Due from or Payable by**  
3 **the State, a Local Governing Body, or a Public Officer**

4 FOR the purpose of providing that a contract payment due from or payable by the  
5 State or a local governing body, or by the public officers of the State or a local  
6 governing body, to a person is subject to a certain attachment process brought  
7 for the enforcement of certain legal obligations of the person; and generally  
8 relating to the attachment of contract payments.

9 BY adding to  
10 Article – Commercial Law  
11 Section 15–608 to be under the amended subtitle “Subtitle 6. Attachment of  
12 Wages and Contract Payments”  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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

17 **Article – Commercial Law**

18 Subtitle 6. Attachment of Wages **AND CONTRACT PAYMENTS.**

19 **15–608.**

20 **A CONTRACT PAYMENT, DUE FROM OR PAYABLE BY THE STATE OR A**  
21 **LOCAL GOVERNING BODY, OR BY THE PUBLIC OFFICERS OF THE STATE OR A**  
22 **LOCAL GOVERNING BODY, TO A PERSON IS SUBJECT TO THE ATTACHMENT**  
23 **PROCESS BROUGHT FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE PRIVATE LEGAL**  
24 **OBLIGATIONS OF THE PERSON IN THE SAME MANNER AND TO THE SAME EXTENT**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 AS IF THE STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNING BODY, AND THE PUBLIC OFFICERS OF  
2 THE STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNING BODY, WERE A PRIVATE PERSON.

3 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
4 October 1, 2009.