

CHAPTER 89

(House Bill 86)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 3 of Article 67 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Negligence Causing Death", increasing from one to ~~three years~~ **YEAR TO EIGHTEEN MONTHS** the period of limitations for the bringing of actions for negligence causing death.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 3 of Article 67 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Negligence Causing Death", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

3. Every such action shall be for the benefit of the wife, husband, parent and child of the person whose death shall have been so caused and shall be brought by and in the name of the State of Maryland for the use of the person entitled to damages; "parent" shall include the mother of an illegitimate child whose death shall have been so caused; "child" shall include an illegitimate child whenever the person whose death is so caused is the mother of such child; and in every such action the jury may give such damages as they may think proportioned to the injury resulting from such death to the parties respectively for whom and for whose benefit such action shall be brought, and the amount so recovered, after deducting the costs not recovered from the defendant, shall be divided amongst the above-mentioned parties, in such shares as the jury by their verdict shall find and direct; provided, that not more than one action shall lie for and in respect of the same subject-matter of complaint; and that every such action shall be commenced within [twelve calendar months] *three calendar years* after the death of the deceased **EIGHTEEN MONTHS AFTER THE DEATH OF THE DECEASED** person.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1950.

Approved March 28, 1950.

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

Strike-out indicates matter stricken out of bill.