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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

Real Property - Sales of Residential Property - Flood Insurance

3 FOR the purpose of providing that, if a purchaser of residential real property is

4 required by a lender to purchase flood insurance as a condition to receiving a

5 loan for the purchase of the property, and the purchaser establishes that the

- 6 flood insurance was unnecessary, the lender must reimburse the purchaser for
- 7 certain costs incurred by the purchaser.

8 BY adding to

- 9 Article Real Property
- 10 Section 14-104.2
- 11 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 12 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

14 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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Article - Real Property

16 14-104.2.

17 IF A PURCHASER OF RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY IS REQUIRED BY A LENDER
18 TO PURCHASE FLOOD INSURANCE AS A CONDITION TO RECEIVING A LOAN FOR THE
19 PURCHASE OF THE PROPERTY, AND THE PURCHASER ESTABLISHES THAT THE FLOOD
20 INSURANCE WAS UNNECESSARY, THE LENDER SHALL REIMBURSE THE PURCHASER
21 FOR:

(1) THE COST OF ESTABLISHING THAT THE FLOOD INSURANCE WAS
UNNECESSARY, INCLUDING ANY FEES PAID FOR ENGINEERING STUDIES AND
APPRAISALS; AND

(2) THE COST OF ALL FLOOD INSURANCE PREMIUMS PAID BY THE
26 PURCHASER, TOGETHER WITH INTEREST ON THE AMOUNT PAID AT 6% PER ANNUM.

27 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 28 October 1, 2000. HOUSE BILL 623