HOUSE BILL 573

M3, J1 HB 876/09 – ENV

By: Delegate Glenn

Introduced and read first time: January 31, 2013 Assigned to: Environmental Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

Environment – Healthy Homes Initiative

- FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of the Environment to establish a Healthy
 Homes Initiative in the Department for certain purposes; authorizing the
 Secretary to apply for certain federal grants; requiring the Secretary to
 administer certain grants for certain purposes; and generally relating to the
 Healthy Homes Initiative.
- 8 BY adding to

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- 9 Article Environment
- 10 Section 6–855 to be under the new part "Part IX. Healthy Homes Initiative"
- 11 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 12 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)
- 13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 14 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 15 Article Environment
- 16 **6–853. RESERVED.**
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- 18 PART IX. HEALTHY HOMES INITIATIVE.
- 19 **6–855.**

20(A)(1)THE SECRETARY SHALL ESTABLISH A HEALTHY HOMES21INITIATIVE IN THE DEPARTMENT.

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1 (2) THE PURPOSE OF THE HEALTHY HOMES INITIATIVE IS TO 2 PROTECT CHILDREN AND ADULTS FROM HOUSING-RELATED HEALTH AND 3 SAFETY HAZARDS, INCLUDING LEAD EXPOSURE.

4 (B) THE SECRETARY MAY APPLY FOR FEDERAL GRANTS THROUGH THE 5 HEALTHY HOMES DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM AND HEALTHY HOMES 6 TECHNICAL STUDIES PROGRAM IN THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF 7 HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.

8 (C) THE SECRETARY SHALL ADMINISTER ANY FEDERAL GRANT MONEY 9 RECEIVED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION FOR ANY PURPOSE THAT IS 10 CONSISTENT WITH THE HEALTHY HOMES INITIATIVE IN THE UNITED STATES 11 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.

12 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 13 October 1, 2013.