

HOUSE BILL 1075

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By: **Delegate McDonough**

Introduced and read first time: February 8, 2017

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Housing Authorities – Transparency and Baltimore Authority Bidding Process**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring certain housing authorities to establish a certain Web site
4 that contains certain information; providing that the Housing Authority of Baltimore
5 City is a Baltimore City agency for purposes of certain procurement regulations
6 issued by the Board of Estimates of Baltimore City; and generally relating to certain
7 housing authorities.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
9 Article – Housing and Community Development
10 Section 12–101(a), (c), (k), and (p)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2006 Volume and 2016 Supplement)

13 BY adding to
14 Article – Housing and Community Development
15 Section 12–406
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (2006 Volume and 2016 Supplement)

18 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
19 Article – Housing and Community Development
20 Section 15–104
21 Annotated Code of Maryland
22 (2006 Volume and 2016 Supplement)

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

25 **Article – Housing and Community Development**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 12-101.

2 (a) In this Division II the following words have the meanings indicated.

3 (c) "Authority" means a public corporation created as a housing authority under
4 this Division II.

5 (k) (1) "Housing project" means a work or undertaking to:

6 (i) demolish, clear, or remove buildings from an economically
7 depressed or physically deteriorated area; or

8 (ii) provide decent, safe, and sanitary housing for persons of eligible
9 income and, to the extent authorized by § 12-503(a)(4) of this title, for other persons.

10 (2) "Housing project" includes:

11 (i) work connected to planning, constructing, reconstructing,
12 altering, or repairing improvements, acquiring property, or demolishing structures;

13 (ii) adapting an economically depressed or physically deteriorated
14 area to public purposes, including parks and other recreational or community purposes;
15 and

16 (iii) acquiring buildings, land, equipment, facilities, and other real or
17 personal property for necessary, convenient, or desirable:

18 1. appurtenances;

19 2. streets;

20 3. sewers;

21 4. water service;

22 5. parks;

23 6. site preparation;

24 7. gardening; and

25 8. administrative, community, health, recreational,
26 educational, welfare, or other purposes.

27 (p) "Person of eligible income" means an individual or family that qualifies under
28 § 12-106 of this subtitle.

1 12-406.

2 EACH AUTHORITY SHALL ESTABLISH A WEB SITE THAT CONTAINS:

3 (1) THE NAME OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF AND EACH
4 COMMISSIONER APPOINTED TO THE AUTHORITY;

5 (2) THE NAME OF ANY NONPROFIT ENTITY THAT THE AUTHORITY
6 CONTROLS, INCLUDING THE NAME OF EACH BOARD MEMBER OF THE NONPROFIT
7 ENTITY;

8 (3) A DESCRIPTION OF EACH HOUSING PROJECT THAT THE
9 AUTHORITY OPERATES;

10 (4) THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE AUTHORITY AND ANY ANNUAL
11 FINANCIAL REPORT THE AUTHORITY IS REQUIRED TO PREPARE; AND

12 (5) A DESCRIPTION OF THE PROCESS THE AUTHORITY USES TO
13 DETERMINE:

14 (I) THE ELIGIBILITY OF A PERSON OF ELIGIBLE INCOME TO
15 RECEIVE ASSISTANCE FROM THE AUTHORITY; AND

16 (II) THE PLACEMENT OF A PERSON OF ELIGIBLE INCOME.

17 15-104.

18 The Housing Authority of Baltimore City is a public body corporate and politic that:

19 (1) exercises public and essential governmental functions; [and]

20 (2) has all the powers necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of
21 this Division II; AND

22 (3) IS A BALTIMORE CITY AGENCY FOR PURPOSES OF THE
23 PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS ISSUED BY THE BOARD OF ESTIMATES OF
24 BALTIMORE CITY UNDER THE BALTIMORE CITY CHARTER, ARTICLE VI §§ 2 AND
25 11.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
27 October 1, 2017.