

Chapter 299

**(House Bill 676)**

AN ACT concerning

**Real Property – Recording Costs – Exemption**

FOR the purpose of adding certain entities to the list of entities that are exempt from paying certain recording costs and other fees; making a stylistic change; and generally relating to costs and fees associated with land and financing records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – Real Property  
Section 3–603  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

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

**Article – Real Property**

3–603.

**(A)** The clerk may not charge any county, any municipality, **ANY UNIT OF STATE GOVERNMENT**, the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission, or the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission any fee provided by this subtitle unless the county, municipality, **UNIT OF STATE GOVERNMENT**, or respective commission first gives its consent.

**(B)** No charge may be made against the Comptroller for any service performed in connection with the recording and indexing of property liens arising under the Maryland income tax or the Maryland sales and use tax laws.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2020.

**Enacted under Article II, § 17(c) of the Maryland Constitution, May 8, 2020.**