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CHAPTER		
1 AN ACT concerning		
Condominiums, Homeowners Associations, and Cooperatives - No-Impac		
Home-Based Businesses		
4 FOR the purpose of prohibiting <u>a certain provision in</u> a recorded covenant or		
restriction, declaration, bylaw, or rule of a condominium, or homeowners		
association, or <u>in the articles of incorporation</u> , bylaws, or proprietary leases of a		
7 cooperative housing corporation from prohibiting being construed to prohibit		
8 certain no-impact home-based businesses; providing that a condominium,		
homeowners association, or cooperative housing corporation may restrict or		
0 prohibit certain no-impact home-based businesses under certain		
1 circumstances; providing that the operation of a no-impact home-based		
business is a certain activity; authorizing condominiums and, homeowners		
3 associations, and cooperative housing corporations to require no-impact		
4 home-based businesses to pay certain fees under certain circumstances;		
5 authorizing condominiums, homeowners associations, and cooperative housing		
6 eorporations to adopt certain rules; defining a certain term; and generally		
7 relating to no-impact home-based businesses in condominiums, homeowners		
8 associations, and cooperative housing corporations.		
9 BY renumbering		
20 Article - Corporations and Associations		
Section 5-6B-01(o), (p), and (q), respectively		
to be Section 5-6B-01(p), (q), and (r), respectively		
Annotated Code of Maryland		
4 (1993 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)		

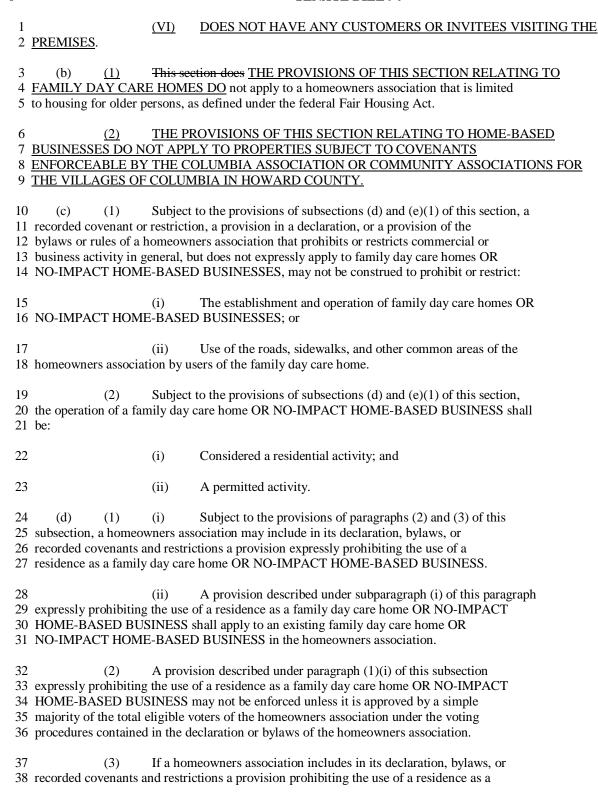
25 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

1 2 3 4	Article - Real Property Section 11-111.1 and 11B-111.1 Annotated Code of Maryland (1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)
5 6 7 8 9	BY adding to Article - Corporations and Associations Section 5-6B-01(o) and 5-6B-18.1 Annotated Code of Maryland (1993 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)
12	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section(s) 5-6B-01(o), (p), and (q), respectively, of Article - Corporations and Associations of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 5-6B-01(p), (q), and (r), respectively.
14 15	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
16	Article - Real Property
17	11-111.1.
18	(a) (1) In this section, the following words have the meanings indicated.
19 20	(2) "Day care provider" means the adult who has primary responsibility for the operation of a family day care home.
21 22	(3) "Family day care home" means a unit registered under Title 5, Subtitle 5 of the Family Law Article.
23	(4) "NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS" MEANS A BUSINESS THAT:
24 25	(I) IS CONSISTENT WITH THE RESIDENTIAL CHARACTER OF THE DWELLING UNIT;
	(II) IS SUBORDINATE TO THE USE OF THE DWELLING UNIT FOR RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES AND REQUIRES NO EXTERNAL MODIFICATIONS THAT DETRACT FROM THE RESIDENTIAL APPEARANCE OF THE DWELLING UNIT;
31 32	(III) USES NO EQUIPMENT OR PROCESS THAT CREATES NOISE, VIBRATION, GLARE, FUMES, ODORS, OR ELECTRICAL OR ELECTRONIC INTERFERENCE DETECTABLE BY NEIGHBORS OR THAT CAUSES AN INCREASE OF COMMON EXPENSES THAT CAN BE SOLELY AND DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO A NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS; AND
34 35	(IV) DOES NOT INVOLVE USE, STORAGE, OR DISPOSAL OF ANY GROUPING OR CLASSIFICATION OF MATERIALS THAT THE UNITED STATES

1 SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION OR THE STATE OR ANY LOCAL GOVERNING BODY 2 DESIGNATES AS A HAZARDOUS MATERIAL; IS OWNED OR OPERATED BY A RESIDENT OF THE DWELLING 3 4 UNIT AND HAS NO EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, OR CONTRACTORS ON THE PREMISES 5 OTHER THAN A RESIDENT OF THE DWELLING UNIT; AND DOES NOT HAVE ANY CUSTOMERS OR INVITEES VISITING THE 6 (VI) 7 PREMISES. 8 This section does THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION RELATING TO (b) FAMILY DAY CARE HOMES DO not apply to a condominium that is limited to housing 10 for older persons, as defined under the federal Fair Housing Act. 11 (c) (1)Subject to the provisions of subsections (d) and (e)(1) of this section, a 12 recorded covenant or restriction, a provision in a declaration, or a provision of the 13 bylaws or rules of a condominium that prohibits or restricts commercial or business 14 activity in general, but does not expressly apply to family day care homes OR 15 NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESSES, may not be construed to prohibit or restrict: The establishment and operation of family day care homes OR 16 17 NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESSES: or 18 Use of the roads, sidewalks, and other common elements of the 19 condominium by users of the family day care home. Subject to the provisions of subsections (d) and (e)(1) of this section, 20 21 the operation of a family day care home OR NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS shall 22 be: 23 (i) Considered a residential activity; and 24 A permitted activity. (ii) 25 Subject to the provisions of paragraphs (2) and (3) of this (d) (1) 26 subsection, a condominium may include in its declaration, bylaws, or rules and 27 restrictions a provision expressly prohibiting the use of a unit as a family day care 28 home OR NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS. 29 A provision described under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph (ii) 30 expressly prohibiting the use of a unit as a family day care home OR NO-IMPACT 31 HOME-BASED BUSINESS shall apply to an existing family day care home OR 32 NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS in the condominium. 33 (2)A provision described under paragraph (1)(i) of this subsection 34 expressly prohibiting the use of a unit as a family day care home OR NO-IMPACT 35 HOME-BASED BUSINESS may not be enforced unless it is approved by a simple 36 majority of the total eligible voters of the condominium under the voting procedures 37 contained in the declaration or bylaws of the condominium.

3 4 5 6	(3) If a condominium includes in its declaration, bylaws, or rules and restrictions, a provision prohibiting the use of a unit as a family day care home OR NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS, it shall also include a provision stating that the prohibition may be eliminated and family day care homes OR NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESSES may be approved by a simple majority of the total eligible voters of the condominium under the voting procedures contained in the declaration or bylaws of the condominium.
10 11 12 13	(4) If a condominium includes in its declaration, bylaws, or rules and restrictions a provision expressly prohibiting the use of a unit as a family day care home OR NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS, the prohibition may be eliminated and family day care OR NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS ACTIVITIES may be permitted by the approval of a simple majority of the total eligible voters of the condominium under the voting procedures contained in the declaration or bylaws of the condominium.
15 16	(e) A condominium may include in its declaration, bylaws, or rules and restrictions a provision that:
	(1) Regulates the number or percentage of family day care homes operating in the condominium, provided that the percentage of family day care homes permitted may not be less than 7.5 percent of the total units of the condominium;
22	(2) Requires day care providers to pay on a pro rata basis based on the total number of family day care homes operating in the condominium any increase in insurance costs of the condominium that are solely and directly attributable to the operation of family day care homes in the condominium; and
	(3) Imposes a fee for use of common elements in a reasonable amount not to exceed \$50 per year on each family day care home OR NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS which is registered and operating in the condominium.
29	(f) (1) If the condominium regulates the number or percentage of family day care homes under subsection (e)(1) of this section, in order to assure compliance with the regulation, the condominium may require residents to notify the condominium before opening a family day care home.
31 32	(2) THE CONDOMINIUM MAY REQUIRE RESIDENTS TO NOTIFY THE CONDOMINIUM BEFORE OPENING A NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS.
33	(g) (1) A day care provider in a condominium:
	(i) Shall obtain the liability insurance described under §§ 19-106 and 19-202 of the Insurance Article in at least the minimum amount described under that statute; and
37 38	(ii) May not operate without the liability insurance described under item (i) of this paragraph.

1 A condominium may not require a day care provider to obtain 2 insurance in an amount greater than the minimum amount required under 3 paragraph (1) of this subsection. 4 (h) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (D)(1)(I) OF THIS SECTION AND 5 PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A RECORDED COVENANT OR RESTRICTION, A 6 PROVISION IN A DECLARATION, OR A PROVISION OF THE BYLAWS OR RULES OF A 7 CONDOMINIUM MAY NOT PROHIBIT A NO IMPACT HOME BASED BUSINESS. A CONDOMINIUM MAY RESTRICT OR PROHIBIT A NO-IMPACT 8 9 HOME-BASED BUSINESS IN ANY COMMON ELEMENTS. To the extent that this section is inconsistent with any other provision of 11 this subtitle, this section shall take precedence over any inconsistent provision. 12 11B-111.1. 13 (a) (1) In this section, the following words have the meanings indicated. 14 "Day care provider" means the adult who has primary responsibility (2) 15 for the operation of a family day care home. "Family day care home" means a unit registered under Title 5, 16 (3) 17 Subtitle 5 of the Family Law Article. 18 (4) "NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS" MEANS A BUSINESS THAT: 19 IS CONSISTENT WITH THE RESIDENTIAL CHARACTER OF THE (I) 20 DWELLING UNIT; 21 (II)IS SUBORDINATE TO THE USE OF THE DWELLING UNIT FOR 22 RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES AND REQUIRES NO EXTERNAL MODIFICATIONS THAT 23 DETRACT FROM THE RESIDENTIAL APPEARANCE OF THE DWELLING UNIT; 24 USES NO EQUIPMENT OR PROCESS THAT CREATES NOISE. (III) 25 VIBRATION, GLARE, FUMES, ODORS, OR ELECTRICAL OR ELECTRONIC 26 INTERFERENCE DETECTABLE BY NEIGHBORS OR THAT CAUSES AN INCREASE OF 27 COMMON EXPENSES THAT CAN BE SOLELY AND DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO A 28 NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS; AND 29 DOES NOT INVOLVE USE, STORAGE, OR DISPOSAL OF ANY (IV) 30 GROUPING OR CLASSIFICATION OF MATERIALS THAT THE UNITED STATES 31 SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION OR THE STATE OR ANY LOCAL GOVERNING BODY 32 DESIGNATES AS A HAZARDOUS MATERIAL; 33 IS OWNED OR OPERATED BY A RESIDENT OF THE DWELLING 34 UNIT AND HAS NO EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, OR CONTRACTORS ON THE PREMISES 35 OTHER THAN A RESIDENT OF THE DWELLING UNIT; AND



1 family day care home OR NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS, it shall also include a 2 provision stating that the prohibition may be eliminated and family day care homes 3 OR NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESSES may be approved by a simple majority of 4 the total eligible voters of the homeowners association under the voting procedures 5 contained in the declaration or bylaws of the homeowners association. 6 If a homeowners association includes in its declaration, bylaws, or 7 recorded covenants and restrictions a provision expressly prohibiting the use of a 8 residence as a family day care home OR NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS, the 9 prohibition may be eliminated and family day care OR NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED 10 BUSINESS ACTIVITIES may be permitted by the approval of a simple majority of the 11 total eligible voters of the homeowners association under the voting procedures 12 contained in the declaration or bylaws of the homeowners association. 13 A homeowners association may include in its declaration, bylaws, rules, or 14 recorded covenants and restrictions a provision that: 15 Regulates the number or percentage of family day care homes (1)16 operating in the homeowners association, provided that the percentage of family day 17 care homes permitted may not be less than 7.5 percent of the total residences of the 18 homeowners association; 19 Requires day care providers to pay on a pro rata basis based on the 20 total number of family day care homes operating in the homeowners association any increase in insurance costs of the homeowners association that are solely and directly attributable to the operation of family day care homes in the homeowners association; 23 and 24 Imposes a fee for use of common areas in a reasonable amount not to 25 exceed \$50 per year on each family day care home OR NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED 26 BUSINESS which is registered and operating in the homeowners association. 27 If the homeowners association regulates the number or percentage of 28 family day care homes under subsection (e)(1) of this section, in order to assure compliance with this regulation, the homeowners association may require residents to 30 notify the homeowners association before opening a family day care home. THE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION MAY REQUIRE RESIDENTS TO 32 NOTIFY THE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION BEFORE OPENING A NO-IMPACT 33 HOME-BASED BUSINESS. 34 (1) A day care provider in a homeowners association: (g) Shall obtain the liability insurance described under §§ 19-106 35 36 and 19-202 of the Insurance Article in at least the minimum amount described under 37 that statute; and 38 May not operate without the liability insurance described under (ii) 39 item (i) of this paragraph.

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SENATE BILL 94 1 A homeowners association may not require a day care provider to 2 obtain insurance in an amount greater than the minimum amount required under 3 paragraph (1) of this subsection. 4 EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (D)(1)(I) OF THIS SECTION AND (H)5 PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A RECORDED COVENANT OR RESTRICTION, A 6 PROVISION IN A DECLARATION, OR A PROVISION OF THE BYLAWS OR RULES OF A 7 HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION MAY NOT PROHIBIT A NO IMPACT HOME BASED 8 BUSINESS. A HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION MAY RESTRICT OR PROHIBIT A 10 NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS IN ANY COMMON AREAS. 11 **Article - Corporations and Associations** 12 5-6B-01. 13 (O) "NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS" MEANS A BUSINESS THAT: 14 IS CONSISTENT WITH THE RESIDENTIAL CHARACTER OF THE (1) 15 DWELLING UNIT; IS SUBORDINATE TO THE USE OF THE DWELLING UNIT FOR 16 (2) 17 RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES AND REQUIRES NO EXTERNAL MODIFICATIONS THAT 18 DETRACT FROM THE RESIDENTIAL APPEARANCE OF THE DWELLING UNIT; 19 USES NO EQUIPMENT OR PROCESS THAT CREATES NOISE, 20 VIBRATION, GLARE, FUMES, ODORS, OR ELECTRICAL OR ELECTRONIC 21 INTERFERENCE DETECTABLE BY NEIGHBORS; AND 22 DOES NOT INVOLVE USE, STORAGE, OR DISPOSAL OF ANY GROUPING 23 OR CLASSIFICATION OF MATERIALS THAT THE UNITED STATES SECRETARY OF 24 TRANSPORTATION OR THE STATE OR ANY LOCAL GOVERNING BODY DESIGNATES AS 25 A HAZARDOUS MATERIAL; IS OWNED OR OPERATED BY A RESIDENT OF THE DWELLING UNIT 26 27 AND HAS NO EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, OR CONTRACTORS ON THE PREMISES OTHER 28 THAN A RESIDENT OF THE DWELLING UNIT; AND 29 DOES NOT HAVE ANY CUSTOMERS OR INVITEES VISITING THE <u>(6)</u> 30 PREMISES. 31 5-6B-18.1.

EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, A PROVISION

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33 IN A DECLARATION, OR A PROVISION IN THE BYLAWS OR RULES OF A COOPERATIVE 34 HOUSING CORPORATION MAY NOT PROHIBIT A NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS.

36 NO IMPACT HOME BASED BUSINESS IN ANY COMMON PROPERTY.

SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, 1 (A) (1) 2 A PROVISION IN THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR A PROPRIETARY LEASE OR A 3 PROVISION OF THE BYLAWS OF A COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATION THAT 4 PROHIBITS OR RESTRICTS COMMERCIAL OR BUSINESS ACTIVITY IN GENERAL, BUT 5 DOES NOT EXPRESSLY APPLY TO NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESSES, MAY NOT 6 BE CONSTRUED TO PROHIBIT OR RESTRICT THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION 7 OF NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESSES. SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, 8 9 THE OPERATION OF A NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS SHALL BE: 10 CONSIDERED A RESIDENTIAL ACTIVITY; AND (I) 11 (II)A PERMITTED ACTIVITY. 12 (I) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPHS (2) AND (3) OF 13 THIS SUBSECTION, A COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATION MAY INCLUDE IN ITS 14 ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, BYLAWS, OR PROPRIETARY LEASES A PROVISION 15 EXPRESSLY PROHIBITING THE USE OF A RESIDENTIAL UNIT AS A NO-IMPACT 16 HOME-BASED BUSINESS. A PROVISION DESCRIBED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS 17 18 PARAGRAPH EXPRESSLY PROHIBITING THE USE OF A RESIDENTIAL UNIT AS A 19 NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS SHALL APPLY TO AN EXISTING NO-IMPACT 20 HOME-BASED BUSINESS IN THE COOPERATIVE PROJECT. A PROVISION DESCRIBED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)(I) OF THIS 22 SUBSECTION EXPRESSLY PROHIBITING THE USE OF A RESIDENTIAL UNIT AS A 23 NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS MAY NOT BE ENFORCED UNLESS IT IS 24 APPROVED BY A SIMPLE MAJORITY OF THE TOTAL ELIGIBLE VOTERS OF THE 25 COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATION UNDER THE VOTING PROCEDURES 26 CONTAINED IN THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BYLAWS OF THE 27 CORPORATION. IF A COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATION INCLUDES IN ITS 29 <u>ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, BYLAWS, OR PROPRIETARY LEASES A PROVISION</u> 30 PROHIBITING THE USE OF A RESIDENTIAL UNIT AS A NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED 31 BUSINESS, IT SHALL ALSO INCLUDE A PROVISION STATING THAT THE PROHIBITION 32 MAY BE ELIMINATED AND NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESSES MAY BE 33 APPROVED BY A SIMPLE MAJORITY OF THE TOTAL ELIGIBLE VOTERS OF THE 34 COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATION UNDER THE VOTING PROCEDURES 35 CONTAINED IN THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BYLAWS OF THE 36 CORPORATION. 37 IF A COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATION INCLUDES IN ITS 38 ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, BYLAWS, OR PROPRIETARY LEASES A PROVISION 39 EXPRESSLY PROHIBITING THE USE OF A RESIDENTIAL UNIT AS A NO-IMPACT 40 HOME-BASED BUSINESS, THE PROHIBITION MAY BE ELIMINATED AND NO-IMPACT 41 HOME-BASED BUSINESS ACTIVITIES MAY BE PERMITTED BY THE APPROVAL OF A 42 SIMPLE MAJORITY OF THE TOTAL ELIGIBLE VOTERS OF THE COOPERATIVE HOUSING

- 1 CORPORATION UNDER THE VOTING PROCEDURES CONTAINED IN THE ARTICLES OF
- 2 INCORPORATION OR BYLAWS OF THE CORPORATION.
- 3 (C) A COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATION MAY:
- 4 (1) RESTRICT OR PROHIBIT A NO-IMPACT HOME-BASED BUSINESS IN
- 5 ANY AREAS CONSTITUTING THOSE PORTIONS OF A COOPERATIVE PROJECT
- 6 POSSESSED IN COMMON BY THE MEMBERS; AND
- 7 (2) IMPOSE A FEE FOR USE OF ANY AREAS CONSTITUTING THOSE
- 8 PORTIONS OF A COOPERATIVE PROJECT POSSESSED IN COMMON BY THE MEMBERS
- 9 IN A REASONABLE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$50 PER YEAR ON EACH NO-IMPACT
- 10 HOME-BASED BUSINESS OPERATING IN THE COOPERATIVE PROJECT.
- SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 12 October 1, 1998.