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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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### Real Property - Payment of Property Insurance and Taxes by Lender

3 FOR the purpose of requiring a lender to establish an escrow account for certain

- 4 monthly payments of real property tax and homeowners insurance under
- 5 certain circumstances; and generally relating to escrow accounts for real
- 6 property taxes and homeowners insurance.

7 BY adding to

8 Article - Real Property

9 Section 7-107.1

- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (1996 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

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

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

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#### Article - Real Property

15 7-107.1.

# 16 A LENDER SHALL ESTABLISH AN ESCROW ACCOUNT FOR PRORATED MONTHLY 17 PAYMENTS OF REAL PROPERTY TAX AND HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE IF:

18 (1) THE LOAN IS SECURED BY A MORTGAGE OR DEED OF TRUST ON THE
 19 BORROWER'S PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE; AND

20 (2) THE BORROWER IS REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN MORTGAGE INSURANCE.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect

22 October 1, 2001.