BY: Environmental Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1006

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the top of the page, insert "<u>EMERGENCY BILL</u>"; in line 5, strike "calculation of" and substitute "<u>method of calculating</u>"; in line 6, after "State;" insert "<u>establishing the income eligibility figure that shall be used in Baltimore City;</u>"; in line 7, after "municipality" insert "<u>except Baltimore City,</u>"; in line 9, strike the first "a" and substitute "<u>the</u>"; in line 12, after "notice;" insert "<u>defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; making this Act an emergency measure;"</u>; and in line 16, strike "11-137(n)" and substitute "<u>11-137(a) and (n)</u>".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in lines 24 and 30, in each instance, after "the" insert "<u>APPLICABLE</u>"; in lines 25 and 31, in each instance, after "figure" insert "<u>OR FIGURES</u>"; strike beginning with "which" in line 25 down through "area" in line 26; and strike beginning with "which" in line 31 down through "area" in line 32.

On page 3, in line 36, after "THE" insert "<u>APPLICABLE</u>"; and in line 37, after "ELIGIBILITY" insert "FIGURE OR FIGURES".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, after line 29, insert:

"(4) "UNREIMBURSED MEDICAL EXPENSES" MEANS THE COST OF MEDICAL EXPENSES NOT OTHERWISE PAID FOR BY INSURANCE OR SOME OTHER THIRD PARTY, INCLUDING MEDICAL AND HOSPITAL INSURANCE PREMIUMS, CO-PAYMENTS, AND DEDUCTIBLES; MEDICARE A AND B PREMIUMS; PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS; DENTAL CARE; VISION CARE; AND NURSING CARE PROVIDED AT HOME OR IN A NURSING HOME OR HOME FOR THE AGED.".

On page 5, after line 1, insert:

- "(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (2) "Annual income" means the total income from all sources, of a designated household, for the income tax year immediately preceding the year in which the notice is given under § 11-102.1 of this title, whether or not included in the definition of gross income for federal or State tax purposes. For purposes of this section, the inclusions and exclusions from annual income are the same as those listed in § 9-104(a)(8) of the Tax Property Article, "gross income" as that term is defined for the property tax credits for homeowners by reason of income and age, but shall not include unreimbursed medical expenses if the tenant provides reasonable evidence of the unreimbursed medical expenses or consents in writing to authorize disclosure of relevant information regarding medical expense reimbursement at the time of applying for an extended lease.
 - (3) "Designated household" means any of the following households:
- (i) A household which includes a senior citizen who has been a member of the household for a period of at least 12 months preceding the giving of the notice required by § 11-102.1 of this title; or
- (ii) A household which includes a handicapped citizen who has been a member of the household for a period of at least 12 months preceding the giving of the notice required by § 11-102.1 of this title.
- (4) "Handicapped citizen" means a person with a measurable limitation of mobility due to congenital defect, disease, or trauma.
- (5) "Household" means only those persons domiciled in the unit at the time the notice required by § 11-102.1 of this title is given.
- (6) "Rental facility" means property containing 10 or more dwelling units intended to be leased to persons who occupy the dwellings as their residences.
- (7) "Senior citizen" means a person who is at least 62 years old on the date that the notice required by § 11-102.1 of this title is given.
- (8) "UNREIMBURSED MEDICAL EXPENSES" MEANS THE COST OF MEDICAL EXPENSES NOT OTHERWISE PAID FOR BY INSURANCE OR SOME OTHER THIRD PARTY, INCLUDING MEDICAL AND HOSPITAL INSURANCE PREMIUMS,

CO-PAYMENTS, AND DEDUCTIBLES; MEDICARE A AND B PREMIUMS; PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS; DENTAL CARE; VISION CARE; AND NURSING CARE PROVIDED AT HOME OR IN A NURSING HOME OR HOME FOR THE AGED.".

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 5, in line 6, after "(II)" insert "<u>EXCEPT IN BALTIMORE CITY</u>,"; in line 10, after the first "THE" insert "<u>UNCAPPED</u>"; in the same line, after "LIMITS" insert "<u>AS ADJUSTED FOR FAMILY SIZE</u>"; and after line 12, insert:

"(III) IN BALTIMORE CITY, THE FIGURE SHALL REASONABLY APPROXIMATE 100% OF THE MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME FOR THE BALTIMORE METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA.".

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 5, in line 13, strike "A" and substitute "EXCEPT IN BALTIMORE CITY, A"; in lines 7, 8, and 18, in each instance, after "MEDIAN" insert "HOUSEHOLD"; in line 14, strike "the" and substitute "FROM THE FIGURES PREPARED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)(II) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE APPLICABLE"; in line 15, after "figure" insert "OR FIGURES"; after line 16, insert:

"(3) THE FIGURE PREPARED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)(III) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE THE INCOME ELIGIBILITY FIGURE USED IN BALTIMORE CITY.";

in line 17, strike "(3)" and substitute "(4)"; in the same line, strike "IF" and substitute "EXCEPT IN BALTIMORE CITY, IF"; and in line 18, after "FIGURE" insert "OR FIGURES".

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 6, after line 9, insert:

"SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall apply to any residential rental facility for which the notice to the tenants required under § 11-102.1 of the Real Property Article has not been given on or before March 16, 2006.".

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AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 6, strike in their entirety lines 10 and 11 and substitute:

"SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted."