

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1988 Replacement Volume and 1989 Supplement)

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

**Article 83B – Department of Housing and Community Development**

**SUBTITLE 11. PARTNERSHIP RENTAL HOUSING PROGRAM**

2-1101.

IT IS FOUND AND DECLARED:

(1) THAT THERE IS A SHORTAGE OF DECENT, SAFE, AND SANITARY RENTAL HOUSING FOR HOUSEHOLDS OF LOWER INCOME;

(2) THAT DEVELOPING, IMPROVING, OPERATING, AND MAINTAINING HOUSING FOR HOUSEHOLDS OF LOWER INCOME FREQUENTLY CANNOT BE ACCOMPLISHED BY THE PRIVATE SECTOR; AND

(3) THAT TO ADDRESS THIS SHORTAGE, A PARTNERSHIP IS NEEDED AMONG THE STATE, LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, AND HOUSEHOLDS OF LOWER INCOME TO DEVELOP, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN HOUSING FOR HOUSEHOLDS OF LOWER INCOME.

2-1102.

(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(B) "DEVELOPMENT COSTS" MEANS THE COSTS INCURRED FOR THE ACQUISITION, NEW CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, OR REHABILITATION OF PARTNERSHIP RENTAL HOUSING, EXCLUDING THE COST OF THE LAND AND INCLUDING THE COSTS OF:

(1) NECESSARY STUDIES, SURVEYS, TESTS, PLANS, AND SPECIFICATIONS;

(2) ARCHITECTURAL, DESIGN, ENGINEERING, AND OTHER SPECIAL SERVICES;

(3) SITE PREPARATION; AND

(4) INDEMNITY AND SURETY BONDS AND PREMIUMS ON TITLE AND HAZARD INSURANCE.

(C) "FUND" MEANS THE PARTNERSHIP RENTAL HOUSING FUND.

(D) "HOUSEHOLD OF LOWER INCOME" MEANS A HOUSEHOLD WHOSE GROSS ANNUAL INCOME DOES NOT EXCEED 50 PERCENT OF THE