

~~(9) "LOCAL JURISDICTION" MEANS ANY OF THE 23 COUNTIES IN MARYLAND, THE CITY OF BALTIMORE, AND ANY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION IN MARYLAND SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE XI E OF THE CONSTITUTION.~~

~~(10) "MANDATORY HOME IMPROVEMENT WARRANTY SECURITY PLAN" MEANS A HOME IMPROVEMENT WARRANTY SECURITY PLAN THAT REQUIRES THE CONTRACTOR TO ENROLL ALL HOME IMPROVEMENTS PERFORMED BY THE CONTRACTOR.~~

~~(11) "PLUMBING SYSTEMS" MEANS:~~

~~(I) GAS SUPPLY LINES AND FITTINGS;~~

~~(II) WATER SUPPLY, WASTE, AND VENT PIPES AND THEIR FITTINGS;~~

~~(III) SEPTIC TANKS AND THEIR DRAIN FIELDS; AND~~

~~(IV) 1. WATER, GAS, AND SEWER SERVICE PIPING AND THEIR EXTENSIONS TO THE TIE IN OF A PUBLIC UTILITY CONNECTION; OR~~

~~2. ON SITE WELLS AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS.~~

~~(12) "SECRETARY" MEANS THE SECRETARY OF LICENSING AND REGULATION OR THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE.~~

~~(13) (I) "STRUCTURAL DEFECT" MEANS ANY DEFECT IN THE LOAD BEARING PORTIONS OF A HOME THAT ADVERSELY AFFECTS ITS LOAD BEARING FUNCTION TO THE EXTENT THAT THE HOME BECOMES OR IS IN SERIOUS DANGER OF BECOMING UNSAFE, UNSANITARY, OR OTHERWISE UNINHABITABLE.~~

~~(II) "STRUCTURAL DEFECT" INCLUDES DAMAGE DUE TO SUBSIDENCE, EXPANSION, OR LATERAL MOVEMENT OF THE SOIL.~~

~~(III) "STRUCTURAL DEFECT" DOES NOT INCLUDE DAMAGE CAUSED BY MOVEMENT OF THE SOIL:~~

~~1. RESULTING FROM A FLOOD OR EARTHQUAKE; OR~~

~~2. FOR WHICH COMPENSATION IS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW OR INSURANCE.~~

~~(14) "WARRANTY DATE" MEANS THE FIRST DAY THAT THE OWNER MAKES THE FINAL CONTRACT PAYMENT OR OBTAINS AN OCCUPANCY PERMIT FOR THE HOME, WHICHEVER IS EARLIER.~~

~~(B) EVERY CONTRACTOR WHO ENTERS INTO A HOME~~