

oners, shall be administered and enforced by the County Health Officer. or, the Commissioners may provide that such regulations shall be administered and enforced by a Housing Director, said Director to be named by the Commissioners and paid such salary as the Commissioners direct.

198L. Where the County Health Officer or the Housing Director finds, that because of structural dilapidation, lack of adequate facilities, overcrowding, accumulation of filth, unsanitary conditions or the prevalence of other conditions which impair or threaten to impair, the health or safety of the occupants of a building or part thereof or of a neighborhood, the County Commissioners may provide that the Health Officer or Housing Director may post such building or part thereof as being unfit for human habitation, and within the time prescribed in said notice such building or part thereof shall be vacated and shall not thereafter be used for human habitation until the Health Officer or Housing Director certifies that such building or part thereof conforms with the standards of the Housing Code and that all outstanding notices have been complied with.

198M. The County Commissioners may provide, that in addition to other remedies, and upon certification by the Health Officer or Housing Director to the County Commissioners, that an owner or other responsible person has failed to comply with any notice issued pursuant to the provisions of the housing code, such Health Officer or Housing Director, with the approval of the County Commissioners, may proceed to have the work required by any notice completed, the costs thereof to become a lien against the property so repaired and said costs to be collected as real property taxes are collected.

198N. 198M. Any violation of the provisions of the Housing Code or parts thereof as may be adopted by the County Commissioners of Howard County and the failure to comply with any notice or ruling of the County Health Officer or Housing Director shall be a misdemeanor and shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). Any person who shall violate such rules, regulations and provisions shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each day that such violation shall continue.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1955.*

Approved April 18, 1955.

CHAPTER 548

(House Bill 855)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 105G and 105-I of Article 9 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.