

tions of the Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That all Acts or parts of Acts which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency, but such repeal shall not affect pending proceedings.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect on June 1, 1957.

Approved March 1, 1957.

CHAPTER 95

(Senate Bill 4)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 64 of Article 17 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1956 Supplement), title "Clerks of Courts", sub-title "Clerks of Circuit Courts", generally amending the laws as to certain instruments offered for recordation in the offices of the clerks of the court in this State and concerning the photostating or microfilming of such instruments.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 64 of Article 17 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1956 Supplement), title "Clerks of Courts", sub-title "Clerks of Circuit Courts", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

64. Any person, firm or corporation offering for recordation in the Clerk's office of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, or in the Clerk's offices of the Circuit Courts for the several counties, any deed, mortgage, lease, agreement, conditional sales contract, chattel mortgage, or any other recordable instrument upon a printed form [, or any typewritten instrument, not upon a printed form,] shall cause said printed [forms or typewritten instrument] form to be printed [or typed in good, clear, readable type,] *in not less than eight-point type, in black letters and upon white paper of sufficient weight and thickness as to be clearly readable. If such recordable instrument shall be wholly typewritten or typewritten on a printed form, the typewriting shall be in black letters, in not less than elite type and upon white paper of sufficient weight or thickness as to be clearly readable.* PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT THE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SIZE TYPE AND COLOR SHALL NOT APPLY TO MANUSCRIPT COVERS OR BACKS CUSTOMARILY USED ON DOCUMENTS OFFERED FOR RECORDING. The recording charges for any such instrument not conforming to the requirements of this section but offered for recordation shall be three times the

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.