

Human Relations Commission - Discriminations in Housing

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain solicitation of sales or leases if one of the purposes is to change the racial composition of the neighborhood.

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments,

Article 49B - Human Relations Commission
Section 22A
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1972 Replacement Volume and 1973 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 22A of Article 49B - Human Relations Commission, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1972 Replacement Volume and 1973 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 49B - Human Relations Commission

22A.

It shall further be an unlawful discriminatory housing practice:

(1) For any person, firm, corporation or association, whether or not acting for monetary gain, knowingly to induce or attempt to induce another person to transfer an interest in real property, or to discourage another person from purchasing real property, by representations regarding the existing or potential proximity of real property owned, used, or occupied by persons of any particular race, color, religion, or national origin, or to represent that such existing or potential proximity will or may result in: 1. The lowering of property values; 2. A change in the racial, religious, or ethnic character of the block, neighborhood or area in which the property is located; 3. An increase in criminal or antisocial behavior in the area; or 4. A decline in quality of the schools serving the area.

(2) For any person, firm, corporation or association to solicit or attempt to solicit the listing of dwellings for sale, or lease, by door to door solicitation, in person, or by telephone, or by [mass] distribution of circulars, [for the purpose of changing] IF ONE OF THE PURPOSES IS TO CHANGE the racial composition of the neighborhood.