

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1974.

Approved May 31, 1974.

CHAPTER 605

(Senate Bill 277)

AN ACT concerning

Landlord and Tenant - Leases

FOR the purpose of providing for certain protection for tenants in their negotiation of leases with landlords, for certain exceptions, and relating generally to leases of certain residential property.

BY adding to

Article - Real Property
Section 8-203.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. 200) of the
1974 Regular Session of the General Assembly)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That new Section 8-203.1 be and it is hereby added to Article - Real Property, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. 200) of the 1974 Regular Session of the General Assembly) to read as follows:

Article - Real Property

8-203.1.

(A) AFTER ~~[[JULY 1, 1974]]~~ JANUARY 1, 1975, ANY LANDLORD WHO OFFERS MORE THAN ~~[[12]]~~ 4 DWELLING UNITS FOR RENT ON ONE PARCEL OF PROPERTY OR AT ONE LOCATION AND WHO RENTS BY MEANS OF WRITTEN LEASES, SHALL:

(1) PROVIDE, UPON WRITTEN REQUEST FROM ANY PROSPECTIVE APPLICANT FOR A LEASE, A COPY OF THE PROPOSED FORM OF LEASE IN WRITING, COMPLETE IN EVERY MATERIAL DETAIL, EXCEPT FOR THE DATE, THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE TENANT, THE DESIGNATION OF THE PREMISES, AND THE RENTAL RATE, WITHOUT REQUIRING EXECUTION OF THE LEASE OR ANY PRIOR DEPOSIT; AND