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CHAPTER 646

(House Bill 277)

AN ACT concerning

Property Tax Assessment Appeal Board Tax Assessment Notices

FOR the purpose of altering the time required for giving an answer to a tax assessment notice in the counties or in Baltimore City; and clarifying language.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 81 - Revenue and Taxes Section 255(a) Annotated Code of Maryland (1975 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 255(a) of Article 81 — Revenue and Taxes, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1975 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 81 - Revenue and Taxes

255.

(a) With respect to any property assessed locally, any taxpayer, or city, or the Attorney General or Department may demand a hearing before the supervisor of assessments or their respectively designated representatives, as to the assessment of any property or any unit of tax value, or as to the increase, reduction, or abatement of any [such] assessment, or as to the classification [thereof], for the next [ensuing] year. Except as provided in § 29 (f) of this article, [no] ANY demand for a hearing [shall] MAY NOT be granted under this subsection unless answer or protest to a notice as to assessments was made, in the counties or Baltimore City with the supervisor of assessments within [twenty] 30 days from the date of [such] THAT notice, or unless application for revaluation or reclassification as to an existing or proposed assessment was made in the counties with the supervisor of assessments before the date of finality for the taxable year in question, or in Baltimore City before October [first] 1 preceding the taxable year in question[; provided however where].