

FOR the purpose of ~~repealing--the--power--of--the--Real-Estate Commission--to--suspend--real-estate--advertising--in--an--urban area--if--the--Commission--finds--that--the--racial--or--economic stability--of--a--neighborhood--is--threatened--under--certain circumstances--listing--certain--conditions--that--are--necessary to--modify--or--remove--a--suspension; specifying--the--standard--of proof--in--an--action--to--modify--or--remove--a--suspension; specifying certain determinations that the Real Estate Commission must make in an action to modify, remove, or renew a suspension of real estate advertising; specifying the standard by which the Commission must weigh the evidence in making a determination; providing that the Real Estate Commission shall provide certain information to affected communities under certain circumstances; repealing obsolete language; clarifying language; and generally relating to suspensions of real estate advertising in certain areas.~~

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 56 - Licenses
Section 230C
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1979 Replacement Volume and 1982 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 56 - Licenses

230C.

(a) (1) Following A public hearing, IF the Real Estate Commission[, if it] finds that: [(1)] (I) the racial or economic stability of a neighborhood is threatened by the volume of real estate transactions, or {2}-(I) (II) an abnormal real estate market with depressed values is developing in a neighborhood because of excessive sales offerings{-,-}, or [(3) that] {II} (III) certain methods of advertising or solicitation could be damaging to the public or to the dignity and integrity of the real estate profession, or could be in violation of Article 56 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, or the regulations or code of ethics of the Real Estate Commission of Maryland, THE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION may suspend methods of advertising of real estate dealer or brokerage services or of solicitation of listings for houses for the purpose of ultimate resale or rental within geographic urban areas as, in its judgment, would benefit by the suspension.

(2) No suspension shall affect advertising in regularly distributed newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or telephone directories, or be in effect for more than [twenty-four (24)] 24 months unless renewed by the Commission for periods not in excess of [twenty-four (24)] 24 months.