Approved April 25, 2006.

CHAPTER 117

(Senate Bill 126)

AN ACT concerning

Department of Housing and Community Development - Partnership Rental Housing Program - Individuals with Disabilities

FOR the purpose of altering resident eligibility requirements under the Partnership Rental Housing Program; authorizing the Secretary of Housing and Community Development to establish certain income limits; altering the requirement for certain local government contributions; authorizing the Department to approve the use of partnership rental housing funds for units that are not owned by a political subdivision or housing authority under certain circumstances; altering the purposes of the Program to include certain private sector entities under certain circumstances; altering the requirements for certain regulations; and generally relating to the Partnership Rental Housing Program and the Department of Housing and Community Development.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Housing and Community Development Section 4–1202, 4–1204, 4–1205(a), 4–1206, 4–1207, and 4–1208(c) and (d) Annotated Code of Maryland

(2005 Volume)

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

Article - Housing and Community Development

4-1202.

The General Assembly finds that:

- (1) there is a shortage of decent, safe, and sanitary rental housing for households of lower income;
- (2) the private sector often cannot develop, improve, operate, and maintain housing for households of lower income; and
- (3) to address this shortage, a partnership is needed among the State, political subdivisions, housing authorities, THE PRIVATE SECTOR, and households of lower income to develop, operate, and maintain housing for households of lower income.