- (12) In accordance with § 13-205 of this subtitle, adopt rules, regulations, and standards which:
- (i) Are necessary to assure the orderly operation of the Division; and
- (ii) Further define unfair or deceptive trade practices for purposes of this title; [and]
- (13) Enter into reciprocal agreements with consumer protection agencies of other states, in which each state mutually agrees to receive and investigate complaints from the foreign state's consumer protection agency on behalf of their consumers against businesses in the receiving and investigating state; AND
  - (14) (I) MAINTAIN A LIST OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THAT:
- 1. SOLELY OFFER COUNSELING OR ADVICE TO HOMEOWNERS IN FORECLOSURE OR LOAN DEFAULT; AND
- 2. ARE NOT DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY RELATED TO AND DO NOT CONTRACT FOR SERVICES WITH FOR-PROFIT LENDERS OR FORECLOSURE PURCHASERS, AS DEFINED IN § 7-301 OF THE REAL PROPERTY ARTICLE; AND
- (II) PROVIDE THE NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF AN ORGANIZATION ON THE LIST TO A HOMEOWNER WHO CONTACTS THE DIVISION AFTER RECEIVING A NOTICE UNDER § 7–105(A–1) OF THE REAL PROPERTY ARTICLE.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

Approved May 26, 2005.

## **CHAPTER 510**

(Senate Bill 765)

AN ACT concerning

## Baltimore City - General Powers - Special Tax Districts

FOR the purpose of altering the purposes for which the proceeds shall be applied of certain bonds issued by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City under certain provisions authorizing certain special tax districts for the improvement of certain areas in Baltimore City; defining certain terms; making a technical change; and generally relating to special tax districts in Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City