

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City

Section 21-17(a)

Article 4 – Public Local Laws of Maryland

(1979 Edition and 1997 Supplement, and 2000 Supplement, as amended)

(As enacted by Chapter 429 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2003)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Real Property

Section 8-110(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2003 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

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

**Article 4 – Baltimore City**

21-17.

(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

(2) “Abandoned property” means:

(i) an unoccupied structure or vacant lot on which taxes are in arrears for at least 2 years;

(ii) a building:

1. that is unoccupied by owner or tenant;

2. that is unfit for habitation;

3. that has deteriorated to the point where:

A. the building is structurally unsound; or

B. the cost of rehabilitation significantly exceeds the post rehabilitation market value; and

4. regarding which the owner has been issued a violation notice from the City requiring the owner to:

A. rehabilitate the building to conform to minimum code habitability requirements; or

B. demolish the building for health and safety reasons;

(iii) a vacant lot on which a building has been demolished; or

(iv) any building in a block of row houses where the block: