LAWS OF MARYLAND

CHAPTER 374

(House Bill 117)

AN ACT concerning

Smoke Detectors

the purpose of requiring certain additional smoke detectors in certain new residential dwelling units;—defining—certain terms;—requiring—the—owner—of—a-residential—dwelling—to install—smoke—detectors—and—to—perform—certain—other—duties under—certain—conditions;—clarifying—certain—individuals—responsibilities—for—the—maintenance—of—smoke—detectors;—and generally—relating—to—the—installation—and—maintenance—of smoke—detectors after a certain date;—providing—a-certain exemption; permitting each county to enact certain more stringent provisions; authorizing any county fire chief, fire administrator, or municipal fire chief to enforce the provisions of this Act; and generally relating to smoke detectors in new residential dwelling units.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 38A - Fires and Investigations Section ±2A 12A(m) Annotated Code of Maryland (1986 Replacement Volume and 1987 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 38A - Fires and Investigations
Section 12A(n) and (o), (o), and (p)
Annotated Code of Maryland
[1986 Replacement Volume and 1987 Supplement)

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

Article 38A - Fires and Investigations

12A.

(A)-(1)--IN--THIS--SECTION,--THE--POLLOWING--WORDS--HAVE-THE MEANINGS-INDICATED.

(2)--"DWELLING-UNIT"-MEANS--A-SINGLE--UNIT--PROVIDING COMPLETE;--INDEPENDENT--LIVING--FACILITIES--FOR-1-OR-MORE-PERSONS INCLUDING-PERMANENT--PROVISIONS--FOR--LIVING;--SLEEPING;--EATING; COOKING;-AND-SANITATION;