

CHAPTER 400

(House Bill 250)

AN ACT concerning

Real Property - General Alphabetical Index - Dating  
Changes or Corrections

FOR the purpose of requiring certain changes or corrections made to a general alphabetical index of deeds and other instruments to be dated; requiring date indications to be made in a certain manner; and generally relating to dating certain changes or corrections made to certain general alphabetical indexes maintained by clerks of the circuit courts.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Real Property  
Section 3-302  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1988 Replacement Volume and 1988 Supplement)

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

Article - Real Property

3-302.

(a) The clerk of the circuit court of each county shall make and maintain a full and complete general alphabetical index of every deed, and other instrument in a well-bound book in his office. The index shall be both in the name of each grantor, donor, mortgagor, and assignor, and each grantee, donee, mortgagee, or assignee. It shall include the book and page of the recordation of every instrument designating these names. The clerk shall index every deed or other instrument retaining a vendor's lien both as a deed and as a vendor's lien, in the same manner as mortgages are indexed.

(b) In every clerk's office where land records are not recorded in book form, the clerk shall index every assignment of a mortgage, deed of trust, and release or partial releases of a deed of trust, whether in long or short form, in the general alphabetical index, and shall place an entry in the general alphabetical index where the instrument is indexed, on the same horizontal line, indicating the place of record of the original instrument being assigned or released.