

CHAPTER 599

(House Bill 1321)

AN ACT concerning

**Social Services – Aid to Families with Dependent Children – Deductions from Aid to Pay
Public Housing Authority**

FOR the purpose of requiring the ~~Social Services Administration or the local department of social services~~ Income Maintenance Administration to deduct the rent of a certain recipient of Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) who is a tenant of public housing from the recipient's aid grant in a certain manner at the request of the local public housing authority; requiring the money deducted from the aid grant to be paid to the public housing authority or its authorized agent; defining certain terms; providing for a delayed effective date; defining certain terms; requiring a certain notification; requiring certain reports; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to rent deductions from AFDC aid to recipients who are tenants of public housing.

BY adding to

Article 88A – Social Services Administration

Section 17C

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1991 Replacement Volume and 1994 Supplement)

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

Article 88A – Social Services Administration

17C.

(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) “DELINQUENT TENANT” MEANS ANY TENANT OF PUBLIC HOUSING WHO HAS BEEN 30 OR MORE DAYS DELINQUENT IN PAYING THE TENANT'S FULL MONTHLY RENT TO A PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY.

~~(2)~~ (3) “PUBLIC HOUSING” MEANS ANY DWELLING UNIT OWNED, LEASED, OR MANAGED BY A PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY.

~~(3)~~ (4) “PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY” MEANS ANY OF THE PUBLIC CORPORATIONS CREATED UNDER ARTICLE 44A OF THE CODE OR THEIR DESIGNEES.

(B) IF A RECIPIENT OF AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN (AFDC) IS A DELINQUENT TENANT OF PUBLIC HOUSING, THE SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION OR THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, THE INCOME MAINTENANCE ADMINISTRATION, AT THE REQUEST OF THE LOCAL PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY, SHALL: