

C. Forward the fingerprints through the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services for transmittal to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a national criminal history records check.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1995.

Approved April 11, 1995.

CHAPTER 17
(Senate Bill 234)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County – Discount for Early Payment of Tax – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a provision of law authorizing certain discounts on county property tax on real property in Baltimore County; making this Act subject to a certain contingency; and providing for the applicability of this Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – Property

Section 10-301

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume and 1994 Supplement)

Preamble

WHEREAS, The Baltimore County Executive has acknowledged that lowering closing costs is one of his priorities; and

WHEREAS, Baltimore County is the only subdivision in Maryland to have mandated in State law a property tax discount of 2% in July and 1% in August; and

WHEREAS, Other Maryland counties, due to interest rate fluctuations, have lowered their discounts or eliminated them altogether; and

WHEREAS, Lowering the Baltimore County discount rate by 50% would provide sufficient funds to lower residential closing costs by \$352 per transaction; and

WHEREAS, The Baltimore County Executive has pledged to propose such a lower discount rate with the submission of his Fiscal Year 1996 budget and use the funds to provide closing cost relief; now, therefore,

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