

~~(b) A residential lease of property in Baltimore City entered into after July 1, 1975, may not contain a liquidated damages clause or a penalty clause.~~

~~(c) In Baltimore City, in determining the existence of a liquidated damages clause or a penalty clause, all provisions shall be strictly construed to be a liquidated damages clause or a penalty clause.~~

~~(d) The provisions in this section may not be waived in any residential lease of property or space in Baltimore City.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1997.

Approved May 8, 1997.

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**CHAPTER 523**

**(House Bill 1169)**

AN ACT concerning

**Graffiti – Punishments for Adults and Juveniles**

FOR the purpose of requiring a court to order a person committing an act of graffiti to pay restitution or perform community service; requiring the juvenile court to order the child to perform community service or pay restitution or both; defining a certain term; and generally relating to punishing certain persons for committing certain acts relating to graffiti under certain circumstances.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments

Section 111 and 808

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume)

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

**Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments**

111.

(a) Any person who shall wilfully and maliciously destroy, injure, deface or molest any real or personal property of another shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

(b) If the amount of damage to the property defaced, destroyed, injured, or molested has a value of less than \$300, the person who violates this section, on conviction, is subject to a fine not exceeding \$500 or imprisonment not exceeding 60 days or both.