

CHAPTER 551

(Senate Bill 270)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City - Ordinance Enforcement - ~~Proceedings and Penalties~~

FOR the purpose of authorizing Baltimore City to establish certain fin~~es~~ *civil and criminal fines and penalties* to enforce certain ordinances, rules, or regulations; ~~authorizing Baltimore City to establish certain administrative proceedings, remedies, and penalties to enforce certain Baltimore City ordinances relating to the sanitary conditions of lots, buildings, and public property; providing appropriate judicial review of orders or decisions of certain proceedings~~ *providing for the effective date of this Act*; and generally relating to the ~~administration and~~ *authority of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to provide civil and criminal fines and penalties for the enforcement of ordinances, rules, or regulations in Baltimore City.*

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

The Charter of Baltimore City

Article II - General Powers

Section (48)

(1996 Edition, as amended)

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

The Charter of Baltimore City

Article II - General Powers

The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall have full power and authority to exercise all of the powers heretofore or hereafter granted to it by the Constitution of Maryland or by any Public General or Public Local Laws of the State of Maryland; and in particular, without limitation upon the foregoing, shall have power by ordinance, or such other method as may be provided for in its Charter, subject to the provisions of said Constitution and Public General Laws:

(48) (A) To provide CIVIL AND CRIMINAL FINES AND penalties for the violation of any ordinance, rule or regulations established by the City under or in the execution of any power granted by this Article II; provided that no fine OR PENALTY shall exceed \$1000.00 and no imprisonment shall be for a longer period than 12 months.

(B) ~~TO ESTABLISH, BY ORDINANCE:~~

~~(1) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS, REMEDIES, AND PENALTIES FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF ANY ORDINANCE RELATED TO THE SANITARY CONDITIONS OF LOTS, BUILDINGS, AND PUBLIC PROPERTY; AND~~