

House Bill 744, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on April 25, 2000, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 535.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

Senate Bill No. 535

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City - Release of Liens for Unpaid City Real Property Taxes

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of Estimates of Baltimore City to release any liens for unpaid city real property taxes if ~~certain conditions are met, including the Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development certifying that the property is vacant and if there is a building or structure on the property that the building or structure is unsafe or unfit for habitation~~ makes certain certifications about the property; authorizing the Board of Estimates of Baltimore City to waive ~~the a certain requirement that fair market value is being paid for property if the potential transferee is a nonprofit organization, if the Mayor and City Council receives an amount equal to any receive a certain tax benefit to be derived by the transferor from the transfer, and the transferor's tax debt is reduced by an amount equal to what the Mayor and City Council would receive if the fair market value requirement was not waived~~ from the transferor; requiring that a certain transferor's property tax debt is reduced by a certain amount under certain conditions; repealing certain provisions that require the Board to give preference to persons or entities who will create homeownership opportunities; providing that the release of a lien for city real property taxes does not abate the transferor's liability for the remaining amount of the tax debt; making a stylistic change; and generally relating to the release of liens for unpaid city real property taxes.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Tax - Property

Section 14-806

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

Article - Tax - Property

14-806.

(a) In this section, "Board" means the Board of Estimates of Baltimore City.