

IF THE OWNER OR OCCUPANT FAILS TO REIMBURSE THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL FOR THE EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER WRITTEN DEMAND IS MAILED TO THE OWNER OR OCCUPANT AT THE OWNER'S OR OCCUPANT'S LAST KNOWN ADDRESS, THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL MAY SUE IN THE NAME OF THE STATE TO RECOVER THE EXPENSES, WITH INTEREST, IN A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION.

(C) COOPERATION BY COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

(1) IF THE OWNER OR OCCUPANT FAILS TO COMPLY WITH THE ABATEMENT ORDER AFTER THE PERIOD OF TIME SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, THE GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION MAY COOPERATE WITH THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL IN REPAIRING, DEMOLISHING, OR OTHERWISE REMEDYING DANGEROUS CONDITIONS IN A BUILDING OR STRUCTURE IN THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

(2) A LIEN SHALL ATTACH TO THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THE BUILDING OR STRUCTURE STOOD IN THE AMOUNT OF THE EXPENSE OF THE WORK DONE BY THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 38A, § 11.

In subsection (a)(1) of this section, the references to the "building" and "structure" are added for consistency throughout subsection (a) of this section.

In subsection (b) of this section, the former reference to the last known "post office" address is deleted as surplusage.

In subsection (c)(1) and (2) of this section, the reference to a "municipal corporation" is substituted for the former reference to a "municipality" to conform to Art. XI-E of the Maryland Constitution.

In subsection (c)(1) of this section, the reference to "the period of time specified in subsection (a) of this section" is substituted for the former reference to "the specified period of time" for clarity and precision.

Defined term: "County" § 1-101

6-321. ADDITIONAL REMEDIES.

IF A BUILDING, STRUCTURE, OR EQUIPMENT IS OR IS PROPOSED TO BE ERECTED, CONSTRUCTED, RECONSTRUCTED, ALTERED, MAINTAINED, OR USED, OR IF LAND IS OR IS PROPOSED TO BE USED IN A WAY THAT ENDANGERS LIFE OR PROPERTY DUE TO THE HAZARDS OF FIRE OR EXPLOSION OR IN VIOLATION OF THIS ARTICLE OR OF ANY REGULATION ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION UNDER THIS ARTICLE, THE COMMISSION, STATE FIRE MARSHAL, OR ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY, IN ADDITION TO OTHER REMEDIES PROVIDED BY LAW, FILE AN ACTION FOR INJUNCTION, MANDAMUS, OR ABATEMENT OR ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE ACTION TO PREVENT, ENJOIN, ABATE, OR REMOVE THE UNLAWFUL ERECTION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, ALTERATION, MAINTENANCE, OR USE.