Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr. Governor

## House Bill No. 443

AN ACT concerning

## Housing Authority of Baltimore City - Collective Bargaining

FOR the purpose of requiring authorizing the Housing Authority of Baltimore City to recognize and engage in collective bargaining with the exclusive bargaining representatives of certain of its employees in certain bargaining units employee bargaining units; specifying the collective bargaining obligations powers of the Housing Authority of Baltimore City; requiring authorizing the Housing Authority of Baltimore City to engage in binding third-party arbitration concerning disputes and grievances under certain circumstances; requiring the arbitration to be conducted before a certain neutral labor arbitrator; authorizing an arbitrator to issue subpoenas for certain purposes and administer oaths to certain witnesses; providing that an arbitrator's rendered decision shall be final and binding; authorizing the Housing Authority of Baltimore City to exercise any power that is necessary and appropriate for a certain purpose; and generally relating to collective bargaining matters of the Housing Authority of Baltimore City.

## BY adding to

Article 44A - Housing Authorities

Section 3-105

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

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

## **Article 44A - Housing Authorities**

3-105.

- (A) (1) THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF BALTIMORE CITY SHALL MAY RECOGNIZE AND ENGAGE IN COLLECTIVE BARGAINING WITH THE EXCLUSIVE BARGAINING REPRESENTATIVES OF ITS EMPLOYEES FOR EACH OF THE FOLLOWING EMPLOYEE BARGAINING UNITS, INCLUDING:
  - (I) MAINTENANCE, HOUSEKEEPING, AND TECHNICAL;
  - (II) ADMINISTRATIVE AND CLERICAL;
  - (III) SUPERVISORY; AND
  - (IV) ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE UNITS.