

CONTROLLED BY THEM FOR THE PURCHASE OF ANY BONDS OR OTHER OBLIGATIONS. WITH REGARD TO LEGAL INVESTMENTS, THIS SECTION MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO RELIEVE ANY PERSON OF ANY DUTY OF EXERCISING REASONABLE CARE IN SELECTING SECURITIES.

A1-113. SHORT TITLE.

THIS ACT SHALL BE KNOWN AND MAY BE CITED AS THE CAPITOL HEIGHTS URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY FOR SLUM CLEARANCE ACT.

A1-114. AUTHORITY TO AMEND OR REPEAL.

THIS APPENDIX, ENACTED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 61 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF MARYLAND, MAY BE AMENDED OR REPEALED ONLY BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2002.

Approved April 25, 2002.

CHAPTER 235

(House Bill 663)

AN ACT concerning

Interim Domestic Violence Orders and Interim Peace Orders – Issuance by District Court Commissioners

FOR the purpose of implementing the Constitutional amendment expanding the authority of District Court commissioners to include the issuance of interim orders for protection pending hearings on domestic violence and peace order petitions; defining the scope of the authority of District Court commissioners to issue interim orders; authorizing a petitioner for a domestic violence order or peace order to file a petition with a District Court commissioner under certain circumstances; establishing that a petitioner for a domestic violence order may not be required to pay a filing fee or costs for the issuance or service of an interim order issued by a District Court commissioner; specifying the types of relief that may be granted in an interim domestic violence order or interim peace order; requiring interim orders to contain certain statements; requiring a temporary order hearing to be held within a certain time period after issuance of an interim order except under certain circumstances; providing for the service and return of service of interim orders; providing for the transfer of case files from District Court commissioners to courts; requiring a law enforcement officer to take certain actions on receipt of a petition and interim order; establishing that an interim order is effective for a certain period of time; establishing that a decision of a District Court commissioner to grant or deny interim relief is not binding on and does not affect any power or duty of a judge; making it a crime subject to certain penalties to knowingly provide false information on a certain