

Commonwealth of Virginia is requested to concur in this Act of the General Assembly of Maryland by the enactment of a similar act; that the Department of Legislative Services shall notify the appropriate officials of the Commonwealth of Virginia ~~and the United States Congress~~ of the enactment of this Act; and that on the concurrence in this Act by the Commonwealth of Virginia ~~and approval by the United States Congress~~, the Governor of the State of Maryland shall issue a proclamation declaring this Act valid and effective and shall forward a copy of the proclamation to the Executive Director of the Department of Legislative Services.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to Sections 2 and 3 of this Act, this Act shall take effect October 1, 2007.

May 17, 2007

The Honorable Michael E. Busch
Speaker of the House
State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed House Bill 463 - *Ground Rents - Remedies for Nonpayment of Ground Rent*.

This bill eliminates the possibility that a leasehold tenant could lose the tenant's home for failure to pay a ground rent by repealing the leaseholder's ability to bring an ejectment action and providing instead for the creation of a lien.

Senate Bill 396, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 463.

Sincerely,

Martin O'Malley
Governor

House Bill 463

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