

(a) In this section, "ground rent" means a residential lease or sublease in effect on or after October 1, 2003, that has an initial term of 99 years renewable forever and creates a leasehold estate subject to the payment of semiannual installments of an annual lease amount.

(b) (1) A holder of a ground rent that is at least 6 months in arrears is entitled to reimbursement for actual expenses not exceeding \$500 incurred in the collection of that past due ground rent and in complying with the notice requirements under § 8-402.2(a) of this subtitle, including:

- (i) Title abstract and examination fees;
- (ii) Judgment report fees;
- (iii) Photocopying and postage fees; and
- (iv) Attorney's fees.

(2) Upon filing an action for ejectment, the plaintiff or holder of a ground rent is entitled to reimbursement for reasonable expenses incurred in the preparation and filing of the ejectment action, including:

- (i) Filing fees and court costs;
- (ii) Expenses incurred in the service of process or otherwise providing notice;
- (iii) Title abstract and examination fees not included under paragraph (1) of this subsection, not exceeding \$300;
- (iv) Reasonable attorney's fees not exceeding \$700; and
- (v) Taxes, including interest and penalties, that have been paid by the plaintiff or holder of a ground rent.

(c) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section or in § 8-402.2(c) of this subtitle, the plaintiff or holder of a ground rent is not entitled to reimbursement for any other expenses incurred in the collection of a ground rent.

(d) (1) The holder of a ground rent may not be reimbursed for expenses under subsection (b) of this section unless the holder sends the tenant as identified in the records of the State Department of Assessments and Taxation written notice at least 30 days before taking any action in accordance with § 8-402.2(a) of this subtitle and § 14-108.1 of this article.