

CHAPTER 507

(House Bill 742)

AN ACT concerning

Lead Paint - Restoration of Property - Exterior Surfaces

FOR the purpose of altering a certain standard for exempting certain affected property from certain required lead hazard reduction procedures; and generally relating to lead hazard reduction.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Environment

Section 6-804

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

Article - Environment

6-804.

(a) Affected property is exempt from the provisions of Part IV of this subtitle if the owner submits to the Department an inspection report that:

(1) Indicates that the affected property has been tested for the presence of lead-based paint in accordance with standards and procedures established by the Department by regulation;

(2) States that:

(i) All interior surfaces of the affected property are lead-free;

(ii) All exterior painted surfaces of the affected property that were chipping, peeling, or flaking have been restored [lead-free] WITH NONLEAD-BASED PAINT; and

(iii) No exterior painted surfaces of the affected property are chipping, peeling, or flaking; and

(3) Is verified by the Department accredited inspector who performed the test.

(b) In order to maintain exemption from the provisions of Part IV of this subtitle, the owner shall submit to the Department every 2 years a certification, by a Department accredited inspector, stating that no exterior painted surface of the affected property is chipping, peeling, or flaking.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1998.