

Chapter 484

(House Bill 385)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Abandoned Property – Tax Sales – Ground Rent

FOR the purpose of repealing a limitation on selling the whole fee simple interest in certain property in Baltimore City when the property is subject to a ground rent or certain lease; and generally relating to the tax sales of property.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 14–816(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Article – Tax – Property

14–816.

(b) If abandoned property in Baltimore City **CONSISTING OF EITHER A VACANT LOT OR IMPROVED PROPERTY CITED AS VACANT AND UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION ON A HOUSING OR BUILDING VIOLATION NOTICE** sold under [§ 14–817(c) of] this subtitle [with a minimum bid less than the lien amount] is subject to a ground rent or lease for a term of 99 years renewable forever, the collector shall sell the whole fee simple interest in the property.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2016.

Approved by the Governor, May 10, 2016.