

**AMENDMENTS TO COUNCIL BILL 21-0021
(1st Reader Copy)**

By: Economic and Community Development Committee
{To be offered on the Council Floor}

Amendment No. 1

On page 1, in line 3, after the semi-colon, insert “and”; and, on that same page, strike beginning with “the” in line 4 down through and including the first comma in line 5; and, on that same page, strike beginning with the second comma in line 5 down through and including “landlord” in line 7.

Amendment No. 2

On page 1, after line 20, insert:

“(1) “GOVERNMENT BENEFIT” DEFINED.

IN THIS SUBSECTION, “GOVERNMENT BENEFIT” MEANS:

- (I) TEMPORARY CASH ASSISTANCE OR OTHER ASSISTANCE DESCRIBED IN TITLE 5 OF THE STATE HUMAN SERVICES ARTICLE;
- (II) SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME;
- (III) SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY INCOME;
- (IV) UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS;
- (V) VETERAN’S ADMINISTRATION BENEFITS;
- (VI) SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS; OR
- (VII) ASSISTANCE FROM ANY OTHER SIMILAR FEDERAL, STATE, OR CITY GOVERNMENT BENEFITS PROGRAM.

(2) SCOPE OF SUBSECTION.

THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO LEASES FOR PUBLIC HOUSING ADMINISTERED BY THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF BALTIMORE CITY.”.

Amendment No. 3

On page 1, in line 21, strike “(1)” and substitute “(3)”; and, on page 2, in line 1, strike “(2)” and substitute “(4)”.

Amendment No. 4

On page 2, strike lines 2 through 39 in their entireties; and, on page 3, strike lines 1 through 15 in their entireties and substitute:

“IN ADDITION, A RESIDENTIAL LEASE THAT INCLUDES A PROVISION PERMITTING A LANDLORD TO APPLY A PENALTY FOR THE LATE PAYMENT OF RENT MUST INCLUDE A PROVISION THAT PROHIBITS A LANDLORD FROM APPLYING A PENALTY FEE FOR LATE PAYMENT OF RENT UNTIL:

- (I) THE TENANT’S PAYMENT OF THE RENT IS MORE THAN 10 DAYS LATE; OR
- (II) THE TENANT HAS RECEIVED THE TENANT’S REGULARLY SCHEDULED GOVERNMENT BENEFIT DISBURSEMENT IF THE TENANT HAS PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED THE LANDLORD WITH WRITTEN NOTICE THAT SHOWS THE DAY OF THE MONTH THE GOVERNMENT BENEFIT IS NORMALLY ISSUED OR MAILED IS LATER THAN THE DAY ON WHICH THE RENT IS DUE.”.