AMENDMENTS TO COUNCIL BILL 21-0031 (1st Reader Copy)

By: The Chair of the Economic and Community Development Committee (at the request of the Department of Legislative Reference)

{To be offered on the Council Floor}

DRAFTER'S NOTE: The following amendment to the Committee Amendments is corrective and is substantively the same as the amendments adopted by the Economic and Community Development Committee. Specifically, the following amendment corrects redundancies and inconsistences resulting from the Committee's adoption of disparate amendments.

Amendment No. 1

Strike the Committee Amendments to Council Bill 21-0031 in full and substitute:

Amendment No. 1 *{modifying the purpose clause}*

On page 1, in line 3, after "of", insert "<u>temporarily</u>"; and, on that same page, in line 4, after "opportunity", insert "<u>to</u>"; and, on that same page, in line 6, after the first semicolon, insert "<u>defining certain terms</u>;"; and, on that same page, in line 7, after "certain", strike "administrative and"; and, on that same page, in that same line, after the semicolon, insert "<u>setting forth a certain termination date</u>;".

Amendment No. 2 *{striking the irrelevant function paragraph}*

On page 1, strike lines 15 through 19 in their entireties.

Amendment No. 3 *{defining substantial breach and renumbering the relevant section}*

On page 3, after line 14, insert:

"(1) SUBSTANTIAL BREACH.

IN THIS SUBSECTION, "SUBSTANTIAL BREACH OF THE LEASE" DOES NOT INCLUDE FAILURE TO PAY RENT OR OTHER CHARGES.";

and, on that same page, in line 15, strike "(1)" and substitute "(2)"; and, on that same page, in line 32, strike "(2)" and substitute "(3)".

Amendment No. 4 {correcting cross-references}

On page 3, in line 6, strike "8C-9" and substitute "8C-6"; and, on that same page, in line 34, strike "(1)" and substitute "(2)".

Amendment No. 5 {striking the section relating to enforcement by citation}

On page 4, strike lines 26 through 31 in their entireties; and, on page 5, strike lines 1 through 4 in their entireties.

<u>Amendment No. 6</u> {renumbering the relevant sections and providing for the termination of the subtitle}

On page 5, in line 5, strike "8C-7" and substitute "<u>8C-6</u>"; and, on that same page, in line 10, strike "8C-8" and substitute "<u>8C-7</u>"; and, on that same page, strike lines 11 through 17 and substitute:

"§ 8C-8. TERMINATION OF SUBTITLE.

THIS SUBTITLE SHALL AUTOMATICALLY EXPIRE ON THE 181ST DAY FOLLOWING THE EXPIRATION OF THE CATASTROPHIC HEALTH EMERGENCY DECLARED BY THE GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND ON MARCH 5, 2020, AS AMENDED OR EXTENDED BY THE GOVERNOR."

Amendment No. 7 {striking the addition of an administrative penalty and replacing the penalty with a general enforcement clause}

On page 5, strike lines 18 through 25 in their entireties and substitute:

"§ 8C-9. ENFORCEMENT.

NOTHING IN THIS SUBTITLE PRECLUDES A TENANT FROM PURSUING ANY OTHER CIVIL OR CRIMINAL REMEDY OR ENFORCEMENT ACTION AUTHORIZED BY LAW."