



## **LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**

To: All Councilmembers of the Anne Arundel County Council

From: Linda M. Schuett, Legislative Counsel

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Subject: Bill No. 38-20

Bill No. 38-20 is an emergency ordinance that regulates residential rent increases during the emergency proclaimed by the Governor and for 30 days after the expiration of the emergency. Specifically, to the fullest extent allowed by law, a landlord may not increase rent by more than 3% upon the renewal of a lease that includes at least one tenant who was a party to the lease prior to renewal. It makes no difference whether the landlord gave notice of the rent increase prior to the date of the proclamation of emergency.

The bill remains in effect until the 121st day following the expiration of the emergency declared by the Governor. After that time, the bill is repealed without the necessity for action on the part of the County Council.

**NOTE:** This Legislative Summary provides a synopsis of the bill as introduced. It does not address subsequent amendments to the bill.