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GENERAL NOTICE

NOTICE

Appropriation of Funds for Implementation of Section 2 of Senate Substitute 1 for Senate Bill 1 as amended by House Amendment 1

July 28, 2023

SENT VIA E-MAIL

Yvette Smallwood Registrar of Regulations Division of Research 411 Legislative Avenue Dover, DE 19901

Dear Ms. Smallwood:

The Delaware General Assembly passed Senate Substitute 1 for Senate Bill 1 as amended by House Amendment 1 on June 14, 2023. The legislation, which relates to the creation of a right to legal representation for eligible tenants in evictions and other landlord-tenant actions and authorizes the creation of a residential eviction diversion program, was subsequently signed by Governor Carney on July 25, 2023.

Section 5 of this legislation states the following:

"Section 5. Section 2 of this Act takes effect on the date of publication in the Register of Regulations of a notice by the Controller General that funds are appropriated to implement Section 2 of this Act. The Controller General shall provide notice to the Registrar of Regulations that the funds were appropriated. Until Section 2 of this Act takes effect, the Justice of the Peace Court shall adapt its Online Dispute Resolution program to function as a mandatory mediation process to facilitate post-filing eviction dispute resolution between landlords and tenants."

In accordance with Section 5 of Senate Substitute 1 for Senate Bill 1 as amended by House Amendment 1, notice is hereby given that sufficient funds have been appropriated in the current fiscal year to implement the provisions of Section 2.

Please accept this as a notification to publish the information in the Register of Regulations.

Sincerely,

Ruth Ann Miller
Controller General
Office of the Controller General

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