

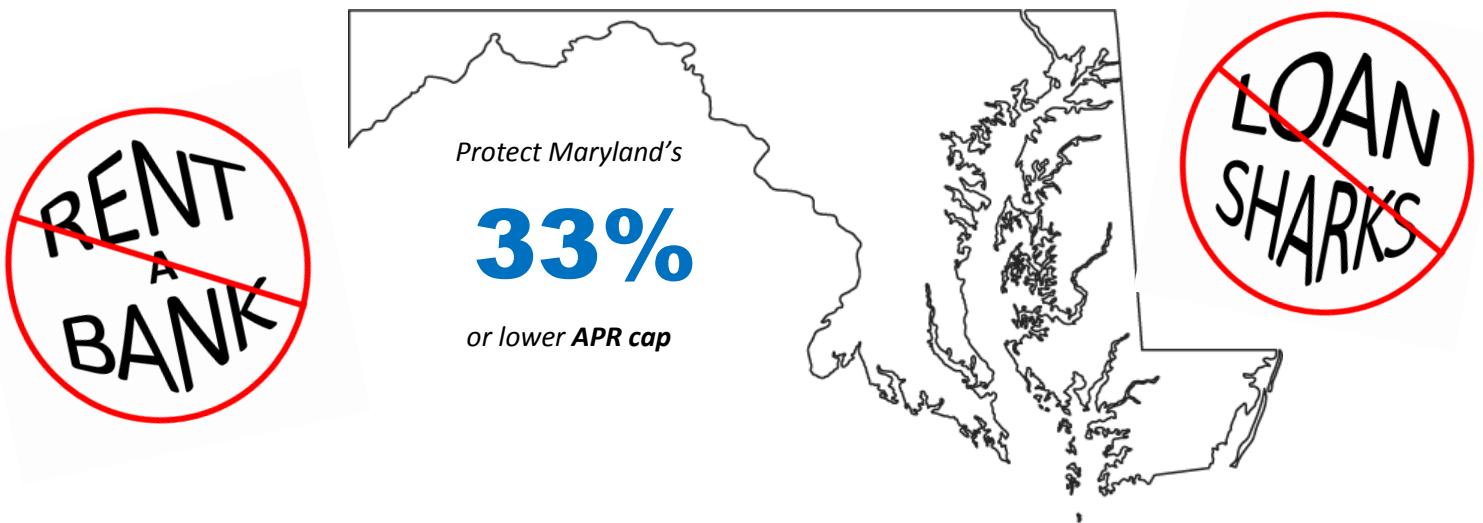


# Don't Let **High-Cost Lenders** Get Around

## **Maryland Consumer Protections** By Scheming with **Out-of-State Banks**

In Maryland, **Elevate** is making loans named  
“**Elastic**” up to an effective APR of **109%**

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In Maryland, **Republic Bank** (Kentucky) is enabling Elevate's "Elastic" product.

A few high-cost lenders are violating long-standing banking principles and **evading state consumer protections** through **rent-a-bank schemes**, which are an abuse of banks' charters. Through these **sham arrangements**, these companies are exploding right through protections states have put in place for good reason, to protect people from **high-cost debt traps** that **drain them of their hard-earned income**.

## **Shut Down Rent-A-Bank: No Legal Loansharking**

more info at <http://bit.ly/StopRent-a-BankSchemes> and <https://bit.ly/2XTIRf0>