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**By: Charles County Delegation**

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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Charles County - Economic Development Commission**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Charles County  
4 to establish an Economic Development Commission and to provide certain funds  
5 for the operation of the Commission; requiring the Commission to be operated by a  
6 Board of Directors appointed by the Board of County Commissioners; authorizing  
7 the Board of County Commissioners to enter into a certain agreement with a  
8 nonprofit organization to operate the functions of the Commission; authorizing the  
9 Board of County Commissioners to authorize a certain nonprofit organization to use  
10 the facilities of the Board of County Commissioners or the Charles County  
11 Community College; authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to provide  
12 certain funds to a nonprofit organization to operate a Commission; and generally  
13 relating to the authority of the Board of County Commissioners to establish an  
14 Economic Development Commission.

15 BY adding to

16 The Public Local Laws of Charles County  
17 Section 27-18  
18 Article 9 - Public Local Laws of Maryland  
19 (1994 Edition and November 1995 Supplement, as amended)

20 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
21 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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1           **Article 9 - Charles County**

2 27-18.

3           A. (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION, THE  
4 COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAY ESTABLISH AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
5 COMMISSION IN THE COUNTY AND PROVIDE FUNDS SUFFICIENT FOR THE PROPER  
6 OPERATION OF AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION.

7                   (2) AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ESTABLISHED UNDER  
8 PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE OPERATED BY A BOARD OF  
9 DIRECTORS APPOINTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

10          B. (1) THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAY ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT  
11 WITH ANY NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION TO OPERATE THE FUNCTIONS OF AN  
12 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION.

13                   (2) UNDER THE TERMS OR CONDITIONS OF AN AGREEMENT ENTERED  
14 UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAY  
15 AUTHORIZE A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS  
16 SUBSECTION TO USE THE BUILDINGS OR PREMISES OF THE COUNTY  
17 COMMISSIONERS OR THE CHARLES COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

18                   (3) THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAY PROVIDE FUNDS TO A  
19 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION IN AN AMOUNT THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
20 CONSIDER NECESSARY TO OPERATE AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
21 UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

22          SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
23 October 1, 1996.