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Committee Report: Favorable with amendments House action: Adopted Read second time: March 2, 1999		
	CHAPTER	
1 /	AN ACT concerning	
2 3 4	Recordation Tax and State Transfer Tax - Transfers Between Entities Forming a From Class I Railroad Carrier to Wholly-Owned Limited Liability Company	
5 II 6 7 8 9 10 11 12	FOR the purpose of providing an exemption under the recordation tax and the State transfer tax for certain instruments of writing that transfer title to real property between entities for the purposes of forming from a Class I Railroad Carrier to its wholly-owned limited liability company; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to a certain exemption under the recordation tax and the State transfer tax for certain instruments of writing that transfer title to real property between entities for the purposes of forming from a Class I Railroad Carrier to its wholly-owned limited liability company.	
13 14 15 16 17	BY adding to Article - Tax - Property Section 12-108(z) and 13-207(a)(19) Annotated Code of Maryland (1994 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)	
18 19 20 21 22	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article - Tax - Property Section 13-207(a)(17) and (18) Annotated Code of Maryland (1994 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)	

## **HOUSE BILL 515**

1 2	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
3	Article - Tax - Property

- 4 12-108.
- 5 (Z) AN INSTRUMENT OF WRITING IS NOT SUBJECT TO RECORDATION TAX IF
- 6 THE INSTRUMENT OF WRITING IS A TRANSFER OF TITLE TO REAL PROPERTY
- 7 BETWEEN ENTITIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING FROM A RAILROAD
- 8 DESIGNATED BY THE UNITED STATES INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION
- 9 SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD AS A CLASS I RAILROAD CARRIER TO ITS
- 10 WHOLLY-OWNED LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY.
- 11 13-207.
- 12 (a) An instrument of writing is not subject to transfer tax to the same extent 13 that it is not subject to recordation tax under:
- 14 (17) § 12-108(x) of this article (Cooperative housing corporations); [or]
- 15 (18) § 12-108(y) of this article (Transfer from predecessor entity to limited 16 liability company)[.]; OR
- 17 (19) § 12-108(Z) OF THIS ARTICLE (TRANSFER BETWEEN ENTITIES
- 18 FORMING FROM A CLASS I RAILROAD CARRIER TO ITS WHOLLY-OWNED LIMITED
- 19 LIABILITY COMPANY).
- 20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 21 July June 1, 1999. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and 67 months and,
- 22 at the end of December 31, 2000, with no further action required by the General
- 23 Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.