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CHAPTER
1 AN ACT concerning
2 Maryland Agricultural Fair Board - Grants
 FOR the purpose of altering the amount of the annual grant that the Comptroller pays from the horse racing Special Fund to the Maryland Agricultural Fair Board to promote State and county agricultural fairs and exhibits; and generally relating to the horse racing Special Fund. BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article - Business Regulation Section 11-403(a) Annotated Code of Maryland (1998 Replacement Volume) SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
14 Article - Business Regulation
15 11-403.
16 (a) The Comptroller shall pay from the Special Fund an annual grant of:
17 (1) [\$600,000] \$825,000 to the Maryland Agricultural Fair Board to 18 promote State and county agricultural fairs and exhibits;
19 (2) \$100,000 to Prince George's County to replace money formerly 20 received from the admissions and amusement tax;

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- 1 (3) \$40,000 to the Great Frederick Fair to support exhibition harness 2 racing with money for construction and maintenance of new stalls, track 3 maintenance, and purses; 4 \$50 to the City of Bowie for each day that the training facilities are 5 open at the Bowie Race Course Training Center; \$75,000 to the Maryland Agricultural Education Foundation, Inc., to 6 (5) 7 promote and enhance statewide agricultural education; and 8 an amount not to exceed \$30,000 in Fiscal Year 1998 and \$20,000 in 9 each fiscal year thereafter to the Great Pocomoke Fair, Inc. to support exhibition 10 harness racing with money for construction and maintenance of new stalls, track 11 maintenance, and purses.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 13 October 1, 1999.